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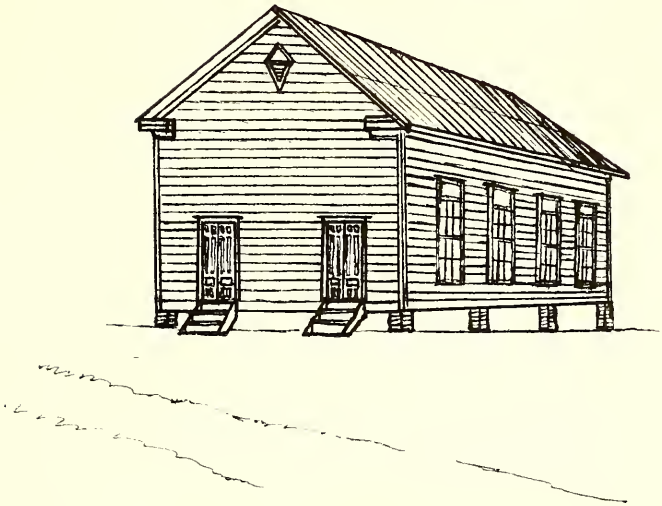

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PREFACE

As anyone who has attempted to write a history knows, it is a long and arduous task. However, it is a task that is at the same time fulfilling and personally interesting. The more hidden facts you uncover from the past, the greater is the desire to find more.

The search for the history of Deep River Baptist Church began long before the writing of this book. As is stated in the text, a short history was written in 1944. Though it contained a great deal of information and is very helpful to us, much of it relied on the memories of those involved in composing it.

Around 1975-76 Joyce began interviewing some of the older members of our church on tape. The old history and most of our church records indicated the date of our original organization as 1894. The recollections of some of the older members seemed to bear this out, though we found some conflicting information. In her capacity as church historian, Joyce searched the Baptist Historical records at Wake Forest University, Winston Salem, NC and found a Biblical Recorder article in 1882 announcing the organization of our church. Further research supported this finding in the minutes of the Sandy Creek Association.

In conjunction with a cemetery survey conducted by the Randolph County Historical Society in 1979-80, Joyce and I prepared a survey of our own church cemetery. This was later printed and distributed by the Church at our Memorial Service 1 June 1980. This further fueled the interest in our history since the 100th Anniversary was only about two years away.

Under the authority of the church, we began preparations for a celebration service and a diligent search for records pertaining to our church, its pastors, and its members. This book is the culmination of those efforts. We sincerely hope you will receive as much pleasure reading it as we have had in preparing and researching it.

Though we have tried to be as accurate and completely factual as possible, there will undoubtedly be some mistakes and omissions. Due to a lack of early church records, our primary sources of early history were the minutes of the Sandy Creek and Randolph Baptist Associations. Almost all of the Sandy Creek minutes are available from 1882 through 1934 when we became part of the Randolph Association, which also has most of its minutes.

The earliest complete church minutes we have been able to obtain start in 1935, and other records are scattered and of various years. The membership roll as printed in this book was compiled from several different rolls of various years. We fear there were probably other rolls which are now missing. Therefore, we may have missed some names of former members and for this we apologize. Also, some of the lists of officers, etc., were obtained by combining information from Association minutes, church minutes, and other sources. This may cause the name of someone who served to be omitted, or the date of service to be off by one year in some cases.

It is our desire that Deep River, and other churches as well, would seek to collect and preserve better church records. We would also like to encourage the churches to take on a project of microfilming records as a more permanent way of preserving them. This can be done free of charge by the North Carolina Department

of Archives and History, or with the assistance of the Wake Forest University Library.

Our thanks go to the Wake Forest University Library staff for their help and guidance. We also thank our own Randolph Association and many churches, pastors, and individuals for their valuable information and assistance in promoting this book. We are grateful to Darlene Cox for the final typing of the text.

We owe our deepest debt, however, to Carolyn N. Hager, of the Randolph Historical Society for helping to write the history portion of the book, and her technical advice in preparing it for publication.

If Christ should delay his coming that long, may this history be the foundation for another 100 years.

Joyce F. Davis
Wally Jarrell
Co-Historians

CHURCH CONSITITUTED

Dear Bro. Bailey:

On the first Sunday in November, 1882, in compliance with a promise previously made, I met my brother, Rev. T. M. Baldwin and Rev. J. W. Calder, near Enterprise in Randolph County, NC for the purpose of constituting a Baptist Church. After reading the Scriptures and prayer, nineteen persons presented letters of dismission from other churches. The twentieth failed to receive a letter in time. These letters being approved by the Presbytery, a Declaration of Faith and a Church Covenant were read, and were adopted by the brethren. Prayer was offered by the writer, after which Bro. Calder presented a copy of the Scriptures, with appropriate remarks. According to arrangement, after a short recess, the writer presented a sermon to the attentive congregation.

The brethren adopted as a name for the Church, "THE DEEP RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH." Rev. T. M. Baldwin is their pastor. They expect to erect a good church edifice between this and spring.

M. Baldwin

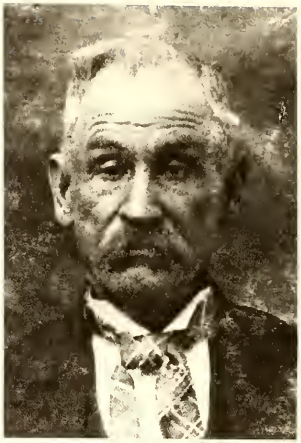
Winston, N.C. Nov. 20, 1882

From: The Biblical Recorder, Wednesday, November 29, 1882.
Rev. C. T. Bailey, Editor
Rev. C. S. Farriss, Associate

This letter appeared in the Biblical Recorder on 29 November 1882 and marked the beginning of the Deep River Baptist Church in, what is today, 1982, Coleridge, North Carolina.

One hundred years have passed since this church was constituted and now, in 1982, the church celebrates its centennial of Christian Fellowship.

In commemoration of this event, this book is dedicated to the loving memory of all those who were early members, all those who are present members, and all future members in the fellowship of the Lord.



The first pastor of the Deep River Baptist Church
Tryon M. Baldwin

MINUTES OF THE 125th ANNUAL SESSION

of the

SANDY CREEK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

"Held with the Church at Mt. Vernon Springs, Chatham County, N. C. October 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th, 1883.

Petition from new churches at Deep River and Haywood were read and referred to Elders O. T. Edwards, W. G. King and Dr. W. D. Watson, committee.

Whereupon the churches at Deep River and at Haywood were unanimously received into our union, and the delegates received the right hand of fellowship.

The delegates were: Wm. Caveness, Thomas Davis, Nathan Kivett.

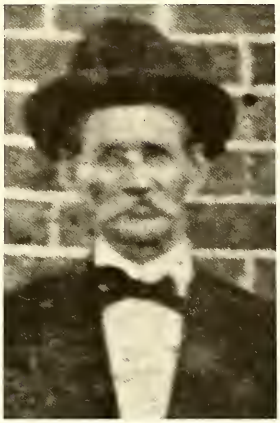
Pastor: T. M. Baldwin - Franklinville, NC
Clerk: Nathan Kivett - Foust Mills, NC
Baptisms - 2; Received by Letter - 1; Total 22"

From: Baptist Historical Collection, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC

Although there were nineteen Charter Members in the first fellowship meeting of the Deep River Baptist Church, we know only the names of the three delegates to the meeting of the Sandy Creek Baptist Association. The other sixteen Charter Members transferred to the new Deep River Baptist Church from other churches by

letter. It is possible that other delegates or clerks of this church during the early years could also have been Charter Members. No doubt, present-day church members descend from these unknown Charter Members.

William Wesley Caveness



Thomas Jefferson Davis

WILLIAM WESLEY CAVENESS: Born 12 June 1833, Moore County, NC; Farmer, Civil War veteran; married (1) Mary Elizabeth Needham, their children: Angenet V., Eageennarres, Dora L., Sarah Irene, Zebulon Vance, William H. F., Eddie O., P. Burg, and Ada May. He married (2) Annie Macon, their children: Fonnie E., Lydia B., and Herbert Wesley. He died 6 November 1919 and is buried in Concord Methodist Church cemetery.

THOMAS JEFFERSON DAVIS: Born 16 October 1848, Moore County, NC; Miller, Mason, married Sarah Selena Cole, their children: John A., Martha Jane, George H., Mary M., Callie L., James Milton, William T., and Lauder B. He died 26 January 1924 and is buried at Deep River Baptist cemetery.

NATHAN KIVETT: Born ca. 1830, probably Randolph County, NC; blacksmith, Mason; married Caroline Baldwin, their children, as listed on the Randolph Co. census: John M., Mary R., Nancy J., Robert L., Thomas H., Sarah L., and Ella.

We are fortunate to have found the Church Decorum for the Deep River Baptist Church. Spelling, capitalization, and punctuation are typed as originally written.

Article 1st

The Church shall meet in conference once a month, the time to be designated by the church. The pastor shall be Moderator. In his absence the church shall elect

a Moderator, whose duty it shall be to open the meetings with a prayer and song, or have it done.

Article 2

The first business shall be the calling of the list of mail members by the Clerk. Next, the reading of the Proceedings of the preceeding meeting for correction and addition. Then the reading of the covenant.

Article 3

Then a way shall be open for the reception of members. In the reception of members they shall be examined upon their faith in regard and upon their worthyness to become a member of the church, to Baptism, the Lords Supper, the support of the Gospel, and the spread of the same and upon their duty as a Christian.

Article 4

Then a way shall be opened for complaint. In the reception of a complaint (which must be made in Gospel order) the church shall endeavor to obtain such evidence as will satisfy the church of the guilt or innocence of the party so charged.

Article 5

Then all references shall be brought forward (~~and-acted-upon~~) and disposed of. All miscellaneous business may then be attended to.

Article 6

It shall be the duty of each member to attend all church meetings at the hour designated by the church. Any male member not prevented by bodily infirmity who does repeatedly absent himself, shall be cited to come forward and show the cause of his absence.

Article 7

All members shall keep their seats during service. Nor shall any male member withdraw without leave of the Moderator. Neither be laughing or talking in time of conference.

Article 8

Every member when going to speak shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator and members generally. No person shall speak more than twice on the same question subject without permission of the church, and while speaking shall avoid casting any personal reflections and shall confine himself closely to the subject in question.

Article 9

When two members rise at the same time, the Moderator shall decide who shall speak first.

Article 10

Each member shall be required to vote on all questions unless excused by the church. A majority vote shall rule in all matters, except in the reception and excommunication of members in which there must be a union. But if there is a minority they shall be allowed to give their reasons and unless they can satisfy the majority that they are sufficient and valid it shall be their duty to peacefully submit to the decision of their brethren.

Article 11

It shall be deemed disorder for any member of this church to remain out of doors during religious exercise, except in case of necessity (necesity).

Article 12

It shall be the duty of any member of this church knowing of any public offence committed by any member, to inform the Deacons of the same, whose duty it shall be to see the offender and investigate the matter, and if necessary, bring it before the church for further action.

Article 13

There shall be a clerk regularly elected by the church whose duty it shall be to record the preceedings of the church, to do the reading and report such members as have by repeated absence violated the provision above mentioned for securing punctual attendance at church meetings.

Article 14

The Lords Supper shall be administered at least twice a year. The time to be designated by the church.

Article 15

Motions made and seconded shall be attended to unless withdrawn by the mover.

Article 16

The Moderator shall appoint all necessary committees and prescribe their duties, unless otherwise ordered by the church.

Article 17

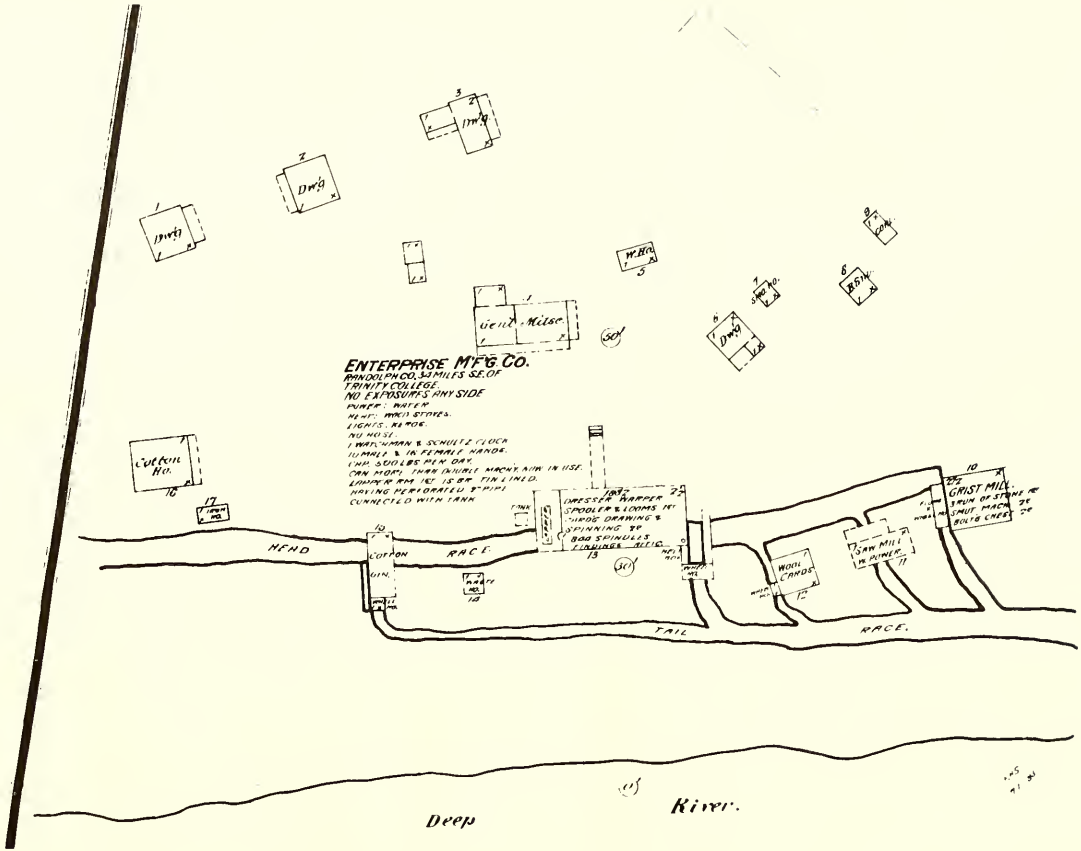
The Treasurer shall hold all the funds of the church, and pay them out by order of the church.

Article 18

There shall be annually elected by the church a pastor, clerk, treasurer and sexton.

Article 19

These articles may be amended by a two-thirds majority.



A map of the Enterprise Manufacturing Company, 1885, with all of its many business operations and dwellings for employees, as it appeared about the same time as the Deep River Baptist Church was being organized. Enterprise Manufacturing Company was the life-line for the small, growing village, furnishing employment to the whole community. This map was prepared by the Sanborn Map Co. for Trinity College, Randolph Co., NC, and they gave permission to use it through the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

In 1882 a need was felt to establish a Baptist Church in the village of Enterprise. A small group of people consisting of natives and newcomers to the area began to meet in worship and make plans to organize a church. They probably called on the Baptist minister from Columbia Baptist Church, Ramseur, to help them. The article in The Biblical Recorder, 29 November 1882, states that the first meeting was held on the first Sunday in November, 1882. This was the beginning of the Deep River Baptist Church.

The first meetings were held in a brush arbor. This arbor was located approximately 75 to 100 feet southeast of the present church building. This served as the principal place of worship until a building could be built in 1901. Services were held on a regular schedule, weather permitting.

From the time the church was organized until 1889 the church continued to meet with the same band of faithful members. Some of these early members were William Caveness, Thomas Davis, Nathan Kivett, A. M. Hornady, John Davis, M. N. Whitehead, and Haywood Wilson. These names appear on the Sandy Creek Association Minutes as the delegates and clerks of the new Deep River Baptist Church. During this same period, pastors serving the church were Tryon M. Baldwin, Manley Forrester, and J. Daniel Hackney.

In 1889 the Deep River Baptist Church faced a difficult period. For unknown reasons the following notice was given in the Sandy Creek Baptist Association Minutes:

> "The Association was notified that the churches at Haywood and Deep River had disbanded. The Clerk is instructed to drop their names from the minutes."

Evidently some of the membership continued to meet because in 1890 the Association Minutes report that Deep River had been aided by the State Board by the amount of $150. Likewise, aid was given in 1892 in the amount of $25. The 1892 Minutes state that,

> "Brother George Harmon's labors have been blessed with six baptisms at Macedonia and five waiting for baptism at Enterprise. Prospects are good to revive both churches."

In 1893 a letter was prepared to be sent to the Sandy Creek Baptist Association requesting readmittance to the Association from the Deep River Baptist Church.

"Sept. 6, 1893

> The Deep River Baptist Church in conference. Way opened for the reception of members when Walter Sullivan and Dock Presnell and wife came forward and related an experience of grace. And was received for Baptism.
>
> And the delegates were elected to represent us in the Association as follows Thomas Davis and W. W. Caveness
>
> Then adjourned.
>
> G. W. Harmon, Mod(erator)
> Thomas Davis, Clk"

"To the Sandy Creek Association

Greetings. Dear Brethren wee send to sit with you and your honorable boddy Brethren Thomas Davis and W. W. Caveness Wee held a meeting of days inwhich wee trust much good was done. Seven aditions by Baptism. And wee wish to build us a house soon as posable The outlook is good for a strong church at this place. Pray for us. as we need help.

G. W. Harmon Mod(erator)
Thomas Davis Cl(er)k"

Thomas Davis
W. W. Caveness
John A. Davis
George H. Davis
James M. Davis
D. P. Presnell
I. W. Sullivan 7

S. S. Davis
Maggie Davis
Callie Davis
Mattie Brown
Dora Ward
(Sarah I) Rehena (Cole)
Mrs. Presnell 7

14 "

Page 5 of the Sandy Creek Baptist Association Minutes of 1893 states:

"A letter was read from Deep Creek (error: Deep Creek was listed in previous year's minutes. This should have read: Deep River) Baptist Church applying for restoration to membership in this Association, and upon motion, said church was restored and the delegates enrolled."

Later, in the same meeting, Deep River Baptist Church was awarded $25.00 in aid. The 1894 Association Minutes state:

"For the year ending December 31, 1893 there were two missionaries under employ of the Board, Brother G. W. Harmon, laboring with Deep River and Macedonia Churches, for one Sunday in each month, at a salary of $25 per year for each church ...."

We were also aided in 1897 in the amount of $25.00.

Although the membership was still meeting in the brush arbor, the first step was taken toward a permanent church home with the purchase of land. On 12 August 1895 the church acquired 1/5 acre from H. Frank and Mattie Davis Brown for the sum of $5.00. The deed is assigned to the church trustees: George Davis, A. K. Scotten and Jesse L. Smith.

During the period from 1893 when the Deep River Baptist Church was reorganized, until 1901 the following pastors served the church: George W. Harmon, Addison K. Scotten, and Jesse L. Smith.

The church membership increased from 14 to 48 between the years 1893 to 1900. Three of the new members listed as delegates or clerks were Addison K. Scotten, J. L. Lambert and H. Frank Brown. The first record of Sunday School being held was at the brush arbor with another new member, John Gross, as Superintendent in 1899.

With the growth in membership, the church was finally strong enough to build its first building around 1901. Jesse Stout erected the building. The timber for the sills of the church was given by William Caveness and cut and hauled by his two sons, Will and Berg Caveness. The Rev. A. K. Scotten furnished transportation for the brick to go in the pillars.

The church was a one-room white frame building with plain glass windows. The wing in the rear of the church housed the pulpit. There were two front entrances, and an early member recalls the men and boys entered by one door and the women and girls used the other door.

There were three sections of pews divided by two aisles facing the pulpit. On the left of the pulpit was the "amen" corner and on the right was seating for the choir. The "amen" pews and choir pews faced each other. The church was heated by a stove near the middle of the building. Kerosene lamps, bracketed on both side walls, furnished lighting for the church. At first there were no musical instruments but soon after the church was completed enough for services, the Rev. A. K. Scotten and Claud H. Caveness purchased a pump organ for the church. Miss Callie Davis was the first organist and served about eight years.

The first Sunday School in the new building had to be held in the sanctuary. Later gray curtains were added to divide different classes. One class was held in the choir corner, another in the "amen" corner, and two more classroom areas were provided for in curtained areas in the back of the church.

Sunday School, at first, was held only six months of the year but by 1907 Sunday School was held year-round. The late Ernest Brady recalled that when he was a boy the Deep River Baptist Church held their Sunday School in the afternoon so as not to conflict with the Sunday School at the Methodist Church in the morning. Many people attended Sunday School at both churches.

Some of those people who taught Sunday School in the old frame church were Mattie Brown, Beulah Littler, the Rev. A. K. Scotten, Carson Cox, Clester Scotten, Nettie Davis, Mamie Moffitt, Mrs. Edgar Cain, Ada Poole, Ornice Scotten, Veigh Saunders Bennett, Maude Cox, Reda Brown, O. C. Brady, Sr., Ernest Brady, Albert Jones, Avon Stout Davis, Myrtle Moore and many, many more.

An older member, the late Clifford Brown, gave the earliest description of a baptism held by the Deep River Baptist Church. His sister, Strawdie Brown, was being baptized by the Rev. Jesse L. Smith. This baptism was held on the east side of Deep River just a few feet south of the old steel bridge in the mill race. A few years later, in 1911, Mrs. Reda Brown, who is still living, recalls being baptized in the same place by the Rev. Grover C. Phillips.

Sunday School group, ca. 1915. Top row, left to right: Pearl Craven, Earl Brown, Otis Stout, Cecil Richardson, O. C. Brady, Sr., Clayton Moffitt, Lee Cox, Ormie Stout, Iron Stokes; 2nd row: Alma Scotten, Allie Craven, Stacy Brown, Ava Moffitt, Meribah Brady, Alma Stokes, Ornice Scotten, Fawnie Stout, Inez Siler, Emma Bray, Estelle Siler, Lalah Bray; Third row: Colon Davis, Rufus Stokes, Lecter Davis, Ernest Brady, Dora Stokes, Minnie Stout, Clyde Stokes, Coy Stout, Dwight Scotten, Fletcher Scott; bottom row: unidentified, unidentified, Charlie Stout, Frank Brown, two Stokes children, Richard Stokes, A. K. Scotten, Jasper Suggs, and Carl Teague

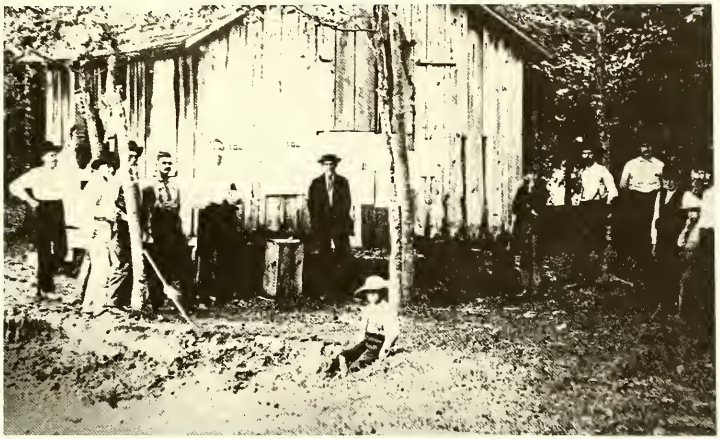
Later, in 1915, Mrs. Meribah Bray recalls being baptized in Deep River near the river ford and the old Enterprise Company barn by the Rev. W. H. Strickland.

In 1916, Mrs. Laura Brady (Mrs. O. C. Brady, Sr.) was the first woman baptized in the newly constructed Baptismal pool. This pool was located directly behind the church. It was a cement pool with steps leading into the water. Cold spring water

was used to fill the pool. The water was allowed to warm in the sun for several days before it was used.

Many people still recall today how cold the water was. They remember, especially, the chill of stepping out of the pool into a cool breeze. Mrs. Esther Fox Gatlin remembers being very fearful about immersion because she could not swim. Some of her young friends took her to the church pool where they practiced baptism until she became less apprehensive about the actual baptismal ceremony.

The pool was used until 1941.



The first Baptismal site was held near this old Dam House. Some of the people in the picture are Enoch Gibson, Artemius (Temus) Fesmire, Dr. R. L. Caveness. The child was Ether Ward, grandson of W. W. Caveness, one of our charter members. This building was later used as a voting place for this precinct.

Many baptisms were the result of revivals held at the Deep River Baptist Church. Mrs. Reda Brown recalls that during revivals the mill would close as much as three days. The services were held three times a day: morning, afternoon, and night. Some of the night services became rather lengthy. Dinner on the grounds was a custom.

The first burial in the Deep River Baptist Church cemetery was Mrs. Dock Presnell (Emeline) on 9 December 1915. The mill closed for two hours for the burial. Mrs. Vera Garner recalls that the school was also closed and that the students walked in pairs from the school to the church. Memorial day was not observed by our church until several persons were buried in the church cemetery.

Early prayer meetings were held on Sunday nights and were conducted by the Rev. A. K. Scotten or one of the men in the church. From 1901 or before until 1937 Sunday services at the Deep River Baptist Church were held once a month. Because we were a small congregation, our pastor also had several other small churches in

his charge. He visited each church at least once a month. Often our pastors had to travel a considerable distance between churches or from their homes to their churches. The late O. C. Brady, Sr. remembered that when the Rev. W. H. Strickland served our church, he had to travel from his home in Greensboro by train to Ramseur. Someone from the church met his train on Saturday to bring him to Coleridge for Sunday services. He had to be carried back to Ramseur on Monday to catch the train back to Greensboro.

From the earliest beginnings of our church, the pastors stayed with church members and their families in their homes while conducting the church services. The Rev. Roland Kidd, in his journal, gave us the best description of his visits to Coleridge and our church during his ministry with us in 1943 and 1944. Some of those who invited him to visit and eat with them were Rob Poole, Ernest Brady, Herbert Kidd, Dude Scott, O. C. Brady, Sr., Avery Phillips, Glenn Davis, Mrs. J. M. Davis, Abe Bouldin, Albert Jones, Clifford Brown, Penn Craven, Hubert Ferree, Duck Smith, Joseph Stout, and William Kearns.

Coleridge in the 1920s. On the left was a small building used as a cafe and barber shop; the next building was used as a post office with A. K. Scotten as postmaster and, later as a doctor's office. The next building was the Coleridge Telephone Co., and the large building with two wings was the Enterprise Manufacturing Company store.

In the 1920s electricity was installed in the church. An electric line of telephone wire was strung from the power house in Coleridge to the Deep River Baptist Church by O. C. Brady, Sr., and Jim Davis. Most of the time current was cut off around 9 p.m. If the water was too low in the river to provide power, there were no lights.

In 1921 the church was given title to 2.3 acres of land by H. Frank and Mattie Brown. This land is where the old cemetery is located.

A steeple was built around 1925 during the ministry of the Rev. J. C. Kidd. We know of two men, O. C. Brady, Sr., and Claude Caveness, that helped with this construction.

Deep River Baptist Church after the 1925 steeple was added.

The church bell was ordered from Sears and Roebuck, arriving by rail to Ramseur. It was loaded on an Enterprise Manufacturing Company wagon on its regular trip to Ramseur to pick up cotton. The bell displaced a bale or two of cotton, much to the surprise of Dr. R. L. Caveness, one of the owners of Enterprise Manufacturing Co.

Pastors serving in the period between the building of our first church building and the late 1920s were the Revs. L. P. Soots, J. W. Phillips, and A. G. Lassiter.

Sunday School, about 1930. Clarence Phillips, Esther Fox (Gatlin), Nannie Phillips (Cox), Floy Davis, Mary Phillips, Berta Moffitt (West), Mary Stout (Cain), Roberta Bray, Gladys Johnson, Charles Davis, Avon Stout (Davis), Teacher.

Prior to 1934 the Baptist churches in Randolph County were divided, with memberships in four different associations. In an effort toward greater unity, a county-wide association was discussed and was officially organized as the Randolph Baptist Association on 25 October 1934. The first annual session was held with Beulah Baptist Church on 24 and 25 October 1935. Our former pastor, The Rev. John C. Kidd, preached the Introductory Sermon on "Self Responsibility." Our pastor, the Rev. Ross E. Heath, read a report on State Missions. The Deep River Baptist Church was one of the 28 churches joining this Association.

The 1930s saw a jump in the Sunday School enrollment. Late in 1935 the church began plans to build Sunday School rooms onto the church. It was not until 1940 that plans were drawn, approved and construction began. The building committee, which began to serve on 2 December 1939, were C. R. Brown, R. C. Bray, E. W. Brady, C. L. Moffitt, and Edgar Cain. This committee was responsible for building eight Sunday School rooms. On 30 November 1940, the church voted to add two more Sunday School rooms and added the following ladies to the building committee: Cladie Craven, Avon Stout, Mrs. W. F. Moffitt, Mrs. Edgar Cain, and Floy Davis.

The church minutes for 6 September 1941 state that the indebtedness on the church was $132.00. Those that did not work on the church were to pay for one day's work.

Deep River Baptist Church after the Sunday School rooms were added.

In 1937 our church worship services increased from once a month to twice a month. They remained this way, with few changes, through 1967.

The pastors who served at the Deep River Baptist Church during the 1930s were Colon M. Strickland, Ross E. Heath, and Dewey L. Temple. On 1 August 1935 the church voted to give the pastors an indefinite call.

Attendance fell during World War II because many of our young men and women left for service or defense work. Some of those who served in the armed forces were:

Bicket Ward	William Cobb	Charlie Moon
Clester Cox	Ernest Cox	Lewis McNeil
Lewis Johnson	James Bouldin	Alton Cox
Otis Cain	Douglas Cobb	Graham Cain
John Ward	Elvin Murray	Orville Cox
Harvey Cain	Adrian Cobb	Johnnie Poole
Graham Scott	June Brady	Albert Cox
Clint Scott	Earl Maness	Newman Stout
Edward Brower	C. F. Saunders, Jr.	W. B. Saunders, Jr.
Junior Smith	Joe Brown	

A committee wrote a short church history which was read and approved in June, 1944. This history listed many officers, deacons, clerks, and pastors who have served our church. The article lists three additional pastors whose calls cannot be verified. They may have served the church as either supply or interim pastors. They were the Revs. D. R. Sears, K. C. Horner, and H. F. Black.

The only time the church was painted since construction, was in 1939 by Ray Poole, Bud Poole, and Joe Gray. In 1945 the church voted to re-roof the building. This work was done in 1946 and while this was being done the top portion of the steeple was removed by Robert Brewer and Rufus Harrison Brady. Those known who were helping on the ground level were Ray Poole and Ernest Brady.

On 1 March 1947 a committee that had been searching for the best way to add a new classroom for the young ladies' class made a report. They recommended erecting a new church building because the condition of the old building did not lend itself to additions. On 16 March 1947, the church members voted to construct a new building. E. W. Brady and Jimmy Bouldin were elected to canvass church members in order to raise funds. By 3 January 1949 the Building Fund had grown to $2,274.00.

C. R. Brown, Penn Craven, Hubert Ferree, E. W. Brady, Glenn Davis, Jimmy Bouldin, Clayton Bennett, William Kearns, and Herbert Kidd were elected to form the Building Committee on 28 March 1948. On 27 August 1949, E. W. Brady, Chairman of the Building Committee, presented the building program. The committee was given authority to borrow money, if needed, to begin construction. At the same meeting, it was left up to the Deacons to sell the old church.

Foreseeing the need for more land before construction could begin, the church in 1948 took title to 1/4 acre of land adjoining the original church property. In 1955 the church was given two other parcels of land, one of which is now the parking area and the other adjoins the church building lot.

Revival meeting held during World War II in the old frame church building.

As far as can be determined, the last wedding held in the old church building was the marriage of Golda Bray and Hoyt Callicutt on 3 May 1949 which was performed by the Rev. Colon M. Strickland.

Construction began on the new church in the fall of 1949. By the spring of 1950 the church was complete enough for services to be held in the sanctuary. The basement was to be used for Sunday School classrooms. The first wedding in the new building was on 24 June 1950 when Maggielene Amick and Jimmy Bouldin were married.

An auction was held on 29 October 1949 to sell the old church building. Terms of the sale stated that chairs, pews, furniture, stoves, and fixtures were not to be included with the building. Terms further stated the old building had to be removed on or before 1 April 1950.

Mr. William Wesley Hayes, Route 1, Seagrove, NC (Rural Road 2904) purchased the church building at the auction for $555.00. Mr. Hayes and his relatives dismantled the church building and built his home and garage with the church material. Before completing the dismantling, the Trustees realized they had not included the bell in the exemptions. Mr. Hayes graciously gave the bell back to the church.

Those members of the Building Committee, now living, are Jimmy Bouldin, Clayton Bennett, and Glenn Davis. They recall the following information about the church's construction. To their knowledge, all labor for construction of the church building was free except for the brick masonry. Brick masons were Luther Pope, Monroe Jessup, and John Wright and their crews. Church members gave many hours for the construction of the building, along with non-members. Most of the sand used came from the Joe Ellis place near Buffalo Bridge on Deep River at the cost of $7.00. The committee located several large beams salvaged from Camp Butner, near Durham. Most of the other material came from Home Building in Asheboro, later to become Hedgecock Builders Supply Co.

Mrs. Myrtle Stout Moore with the church quilt, 1950.

In an effort to raise funds to help furnish the new church, many women gathered in the old church to make a quilt. For each 25¢ donation, they embroidered the name of the donor on the quilt. They embroidered 309 names. The women who worked on the quilt were Rosie Cox, Lucy Cain, Allie Brady, Bertha Craven, Nettie Davis, Myrtle Moore, Flossie Powers, Ava Kearns, Laura Brady, Belle Marley, Macy Teague, Veigh Bennett, Blanche Moffitt, Lema Scott, Lossie Cox, Lillie Cox, and Nannie Allen.

When the quilt was completed, a covered dish supper was held at the home of Mrs. Nettie Davis. Mrs. Myrtle Stout Moore purchased the quilt for $35.00 and gave another $35.00 to the church to purchase a new pew.

Special donations were given to raise money toward the purchase of new pews. They were bought from a company in Monroe, NC. The heating system was installed by Lyles Plumbing and Heating in Siler City, NC.

Upon completion, the new building now had an indoor baptistry. The scene behind the baptistry was painted by Mr. Edgar Bruton of Asheboro. Baptisms from 1941 to the completion of the new baptistry were performed at Moffitt's Mill on Richland Creek and at Cheek's Mill on Brush Creek. Some of those baptized at Moffitt's Mill were James T. Craven, Harold Cox, Penn Craven, Hubert Ferree, Pauline Kidd and Hallie Cain. Cleo Brown was baptized at Cheek's Mill.

One of the highlights of the Deep River Baptist Church was the Dedication Service held 31 May 1953, dedicating the new building to the glory of the Lord.

Several church members and former pastors spoke during the service. Their messages have been preserved and are as follows:

Mr. J. C. Bouldin, treasurer, said that during the five years of building, the church met its financial obligations as they came. The building supply houses and the merchants gave generous discounts.

Mr. Ernest W. Brady, Sunday School Superintendent, gave God all praise and honor for our building. He thanked God for the faith and cooperation of members and friends of the church. Mr. Brady said it takes grace, greenbacks, and grit to accomplish such a task. Pastor B. L. Maness had the grace, the people had the greenbacks and he, himself, had grit enough to ask them to shell it out.

The theme of the remarks by the Rev. G. C. Phillips, former pastor, were from Romans 6:13, "Yield yourselves to God." He called the church an organism--a living body--and said it is the duty of every believer to dedicate their lives to God.

The Rev. R. E. Heath, former pastor, rejoiced for the time spent as pastor of our church and to now see the church building that the pastor and members hoped and prayed for years ago. He said the only way to have a place of worship that will be for God's glory is to trust, pray and work for the things that we believe.

The Rev. D. L. Temple, former pastor, said the hope and prayer of every pastor is to see his church grow and prosper in the Lord's work. "One of the greatest things we can do is to dedicate a house of worship to God. But before we can dedicate anything to God, we must first of all give ourselves to the Lord. He does not accept from unclean hands."

Deep River Baptist Church as it appeared on the day of its dedication, 31 May 1953. The Dedication Service included the burning of the note of indebtedness. The Building Committee and Deacons are left to right: E. W. Brady, W. P. Kearns, W. F. Moffitt, James Bouldin, Clayton Bennett, Hubert Ferree, Herbert Kidd, R. P. Craven, Willis Temple, and L. Glenn Davis. Pastor C. M. Strickland is standing in the background.

SERVICE OF DEDICATION OF DEEP RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, May 31, 1953
2:00 P.M.

The Deep River Baptist Church was constituted in 1894. The new church was started in 1949 and completed in 1953, clear of debt, at the cost of $40,000.00.

We have met this day, May 31, 1953, to dedicate this House of Worship to the glory of God.

MEDITATION MUSIC

HYMN - Love Divine

DEVOTIONAL PERIOD - Matthew 16:13-20 Rev. C. M. Strickland

RECOGNITION OF BUILDING COMMITTEE - Ernest Brady, Glenn Davis, Penn Craven, Herbert Kidd, James Bouldin, Clayton Bennett, Willie Moffitt, William Kearns, and Hubert Ferree.

CHURCH HISTORY Mrs. Penn Craven

TREASURER'S REPORT Mr. J. C. Bouldin

REMARKS BY SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT Mr. E. W. Brady

HYMN - The Church's One Foundation

REMARKS BY FORMER PASTOR:

Rev. G. C. Phillips
Rev. J. C. Kidd
Rev. R. E. Heath
Rev. D. L. Temple
Mrs. Roland Kidd (for the Rev. Roland Kidd, now deceased)

REMARKS BY ASSOCIATIONAL MODERATOR Mr. Carl King

MUSIC BY FRIENDLY FOUR QUARTET - (1) Garden of Heaven
(2) Lord, I'm Coming Home

REMARKS BY FRIENDS

DEDICATIONAL SERMON - II Chronicles 7:4-5; "Dedication" - Rev. B. L. Maness

DEDICATIONAL PRAYER Mr. Willie Moffitt

BURNING OF NOTE

ADJOURN

OPEN HOUSE FOR INSPECTION OF CHURCH

Mrs. Roland Kidd (for the Rev. Roland Kidd, former pastor, deceased) said the new church building is the result of the unity and love of members and friends for God. She also said, "We should daily rededicate our lives to God and so live, act, and worship so sinners will want to accept Christ as their Savior, too."

Mr. Carl King, Associational Moderator, Randolph Association, told the church that God, the Association, and everyone is proud of its achievement.

A great sermon by the Rev. B. L. Maness, former pastor, concluded the Dedication Service. His text was "So the King and all the people dedicated the house of God." He said, "We are dedicating the church to the past members, to the present members who gave their time, labor, and money freely, and to God for His service and for the preaching and teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ."

Mr. Grier Stout recorded the entire Dedication Service and many pictures were made during and after the service by the Arden Studio of Asheboro.

Pastors during the 1940s and during the time our new church was being built were Colon M. Strickland, Roland Kidd, C. L. Smith, Claude Johnson, Bennie L. Maness, and Robert Hunsucker.

In 1954 the church purchased a new Hammond organ. The new organ added to the church service as well as assisted the choirs.

The church used the spring for water until 1957 when the membership voted to drill a new well to supply water to the church.

During the 1950s the church made many decisions, some of which we still follow today and some we do not. On 19 January 1952, we voted to unify the church budget with the treasurer giving monthly reports. In December, 1955, we voted to have two revivals a year--spring and fall. In June, 1956, we voted to take four special offerings each year for the upkeep of the cemetery. One of the offerings was to be taken the afternoon of the Memorial Day service; the other three were to be taken on Sunday after each business meeting. We do not follow this practice because we have a paid sexton. One custom we have followed for many years and still enjoy today is the giving of treats at Christmas time. These treats consist of bags of fruit, nuts, and candy for each person attending church the Sunday before Christmas. The memory of the children's eyes lighting up help make the Christmas season a joyful one for all members.

In 1960 the church was deeded one and 1/10 acres of land for a new addition to the cemetery. Several years after this addition, Mr. Herbert Kidd, and others, helped by donations from people in the community, built a brick wall around the cemetery. Many other improvements were made to the church over the next few years, including carpeting and a microphone and public address system.

The church membership was 223 in 1950 and by 1965 the church had grown to a membership of 293 members. In 1962 alone the church celebrated 22 baptisms. Pastors during this time were Colon M. Strickland and Griffin Bailey. The Rev. Strickland served our church for a total of 21 years, although his service was not continuous. He first served the church in 1925 and his last service ended in December, 1961.

A committee, appointed in 1967 to solve a drainage problem and build new front steps, recommended, after study, to remodel the front of the church and build a

steeple to beautify the building as well as solve the problems. Committee members were Joe Brown, Willie Smith, Johnny Poole, Ernest Brady, Edsel Moffitt, O. C. Brady, Sr., and Cleo Brown. By December, 1967, a building fund of $6,848.51 had been raised. On 21 July 1968 a bid was accepted from J. C. Loflin to remodel the front of the church. Changes were: the roof line was changed, a new porch with columns was added and a steeple was built. The old bell was put in the new steeple. The same contractor re-roofed the church.

On 6 December 1969 a parsonage or pastorium committee was elected consisting of Robert Trogdon, Edsel Moffitt, and Harold Jarrell. On 4 June 1970 the church was deeded a 1/2 acre for $10.00 for the pastorium by John Kalldoff and wife, Ornice Scotten Kalldoff. On 20 March 1971 the church accepted a plan as presented by the Pastorium committee for which $7,202.00 was in the fund. A contract for the construction was awarded to Troy Hackett of Asheboro for the amount of $26,300 in June, 1971. The pastorium was completed and occupied by the Rev. Albert Taylor on 24 November 1971. The pastorium was dedicated on 23 January 1972. During the Dedication Service, the building committee was recognized for a job well done. The topic of the Dedication sermon was "Building for Jesus" by the Rev. Albert Taylor. An open house was held in the pastorium following the service. About 200 people attended the open house. The building committee continued to serve until December, 1973.

The final debt for the pastorium was collected in special offerings and with a small sum taken from the treasury of $1,368.98 on 3 October 1976. The special note burning service was held 5 December 1976 during the regular Sunday morning service.

Deep River Baptist Church Pastorium

The Deep River Baptist Church has hosted the Randolph Baptist Association many times. The first time was in 1938. Since then, the Association has met in our church in 1943, 1952, 1959, 1967, and 1975.

In December, 1975, a fellowship hall committee was appointed. Serving on this committee were Jerry Atwood, Chairman, O. C. Brady, Jr., Clayton Bennett, Harold Jarrell, Marvin Gatlin, and Joe York. On 15 May 1976 the church adopted the structural layout of the 89 by 40 ft. brick building with an A-frame roof to be erected 15 feet behind the present church. The site later had to be changed for a more solid foundation. A contract was signed with the Ramseur Building Supply Co. for $59,106.00 on 12 June 1977.

The first day spent on the construction of the new fellowhsip hall was on Saturday, 9 July 1977. On this day the trees were cut and an old tool shed was removed from the site. The mason in the construction was Jesse Paul York and his helpers were Ernest and Mike Kindley. Other brick masons were Millard (Jaybird) Hinson and Hampton Burgess with Tate Overman mixing mortar. Carpenters were Jack Stout, Ricky Johnson, Tim Cox, Larry Joyce, Dean Cox, and Jack Brady. The building was completed enough for some use in the spring of 1978. It was used for the first time on 7 March 1978 when the Women's Missionary Union and the Brotherhood held a family night covered dish supper in observance of the Week of Prayer for Home Missions. Around 50 people attended.

Much of the exterior finishing and landscaping, as well as most of the interior beautification work was done by various church members during regular Saturday

Deep River Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

workdays. One of the main jobs undertaken by the women was the making of all of the new draperies for the fellowship hall.

On 19 March 1978 a Dedication Service of the Education and Fellowship Hall was held. The Rev. Thomas G. Brown led the service. Dinner was served in the new hall for the congregation at the end of the service. An open house for visitors was held a month later.

A new church Constitution and By Laws was presented to the members of the Deep River Baptist Church. After study, it was voted in at the regular business meeting 4 September 1976. One change of order adopted at this time was electing the Deacons on a rotation system. Deacons serve for a three-year term. The new Constitution gave the church guidelines which they had not had in the past.

Recent improvements to the church plant have been the addition of ventilation fans in the church roof, insulation and storm windows, repainting, a new piano, and a public address system. New programs in recent years have been the Tape Ministry for the shut-ins and the Church Related Vocation Support program to aid students in church related professions such as ministerial students.

Pastors serving the church from 1968 through our Anniversary year have been Albert Taylor, Thomas G. Brown, Talmage Smith, who served as interim pastor, and Roger Mercer.

In late 1976, the Deep River Baptist Church appointed Joyce Davis as its historian. In her research she found the church was first constituted in 1882. In anticipation of a 100th anniversary celebration in the near future, the church voted to make plans and on 6 September 1980 they appointed Joyce Davis and Wally Jarrell as co-historians to collect the church history and make plans to celebrate the centennial year in 1982.

The Anniversary Service was held 7 November 1982. It was a two-hour service. Many church members wore costumes of the era of 100 years ago. An old pump organ was used during the service. Wally Jarrell gave a short history of the church and played taped interviews with deceased church members as interviewed by Joyce Davis. These tapes told of the early recollections of going to the Deep River Baptist Church and life in the church family.

After a reading of the list of all former pastors, recognition was given to the oldest church members and notation made of the date they had joined the church. Those honored were Reda Garner Brown, 1911; Laura Caveness Brady, 1916; Bonnie Davis Wright, 1918; Verta Phillips Poole, 1919; and Veigh Saunders Bennett, 1920. Those not present were Della Cox Stout, 1914; Meribah Brady Bray, 1915; Allie Scott Brady, 1917; and Maggie Scott Stout, 1919.

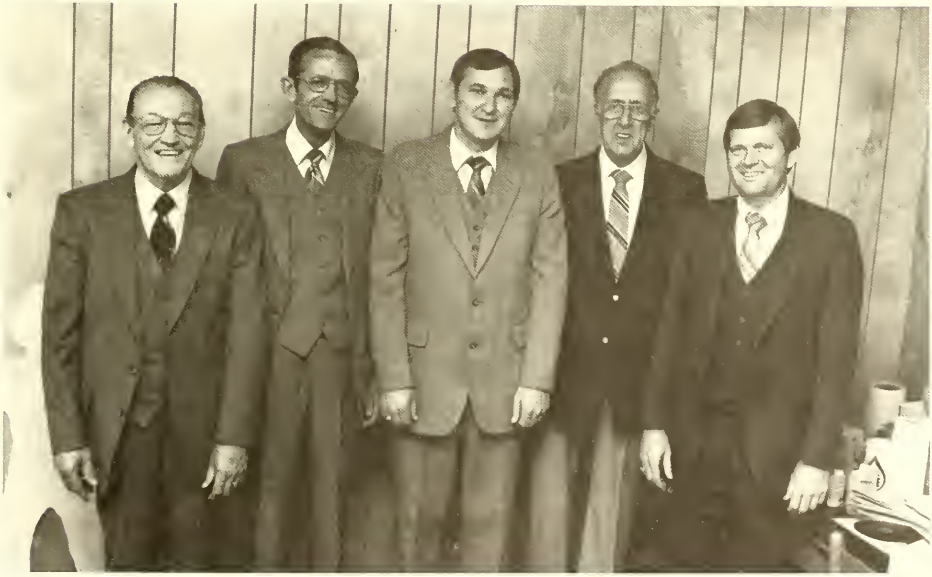
Greetings were brought by the Rev. Judson Rotan, Director of Missions of the Randolph Baptist Association. The Anniversary message was delivered by the pastor, the Rev. Roger Mercer. His subject was "The Investment of Years."

The former pastors and their families who attended were the Revs. Robert Hunsucker, Albert Taylor, Griffin Bailey, and Thomas Brown. Wives and families of some of the deceased pastors also attended.

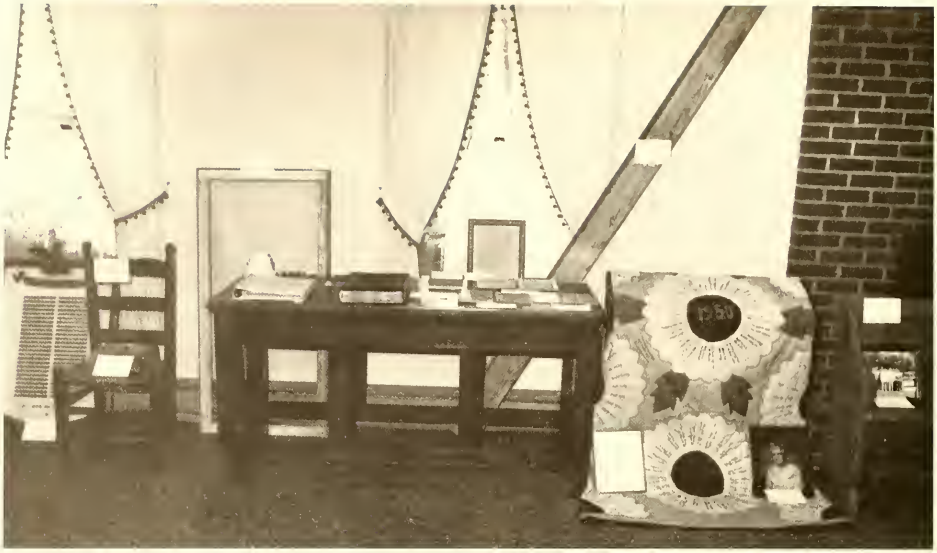
Following the Dedication Service, a covered dish luncheon was served in the Fellowship Hall. A display of church historical artifacts was enjoyed by all members and visitors. As a result of the research done, pictures of former pastors, framed in wood from the old church building, were hung in the Fellowship Hall in a permanent display. Only one pastor's picture has not been located (Manly Forrester).

100th Anniversary Celebration - Top: Mrs. Kaye Davis Atwood plays the pump organ as the congregation sings the old hymns of faith. Bottom: The choir, in old-fashion dress.

100th Anniversary Celebration - The congregation. The oldest members attending, and descendants of former pastors were seated in a special section marked by ribbons.



100th Anniversary Celebration - Top: The oldest living members attending were, seated from left, Reda Brown and Laura Brady. Standing from left were Veigh Bennett, Bonnie Wright, and Verta Poole. Bottom: Pastors attending were, from left, Robert Hunsucker, Albert Taylor, Roger Mercer, Griffin Bailey, and Thomas Brown.



100th Anniversary Celebration - Top: The historical display, shown during the meal in the fellowship hall included a WW II Roll of Honor, a chair, foundation bricks, electrical fixtures, a portion of a window, a pulpit Bible, old S. S. literature, and a piece of lumber, all from the old building. There were also old pictures, and the 1950 church quilt. Bottom: Also shown was a pew, a framed Ten Commandments picture, and a flower stand, all from the old building. Also more old pictures, and a 1982 church quilt.

Deep River Baptist Congregation - September 12, 1982

TEACHERS OFFICERS, AND COMMITTEES FOR 1982-83 CHURCH YEAR

TEACHERS

Nursery	Jewel Brown	Doris B. Cox	Pat Brown
Beginners	Ruth Brown	Joan Gatlin	
Primaries	Darlene Cox	Patty Cox	
Junior Girls	Sandy Jarrell	Nancy Pugh	
Junior Boys	Wally Jarrell	Reggie Long	
Int. Girls	Pauline Brown	Maggieline Bouldin	
Int. Boys	Nowell Brown	Bernau Brown	
Young Marrieds	Rayvon Cox		
Faith & Good Will	Flossie Ferree	Cleta Brady	
Young People	Myra Mercer	Vera Cox	
Bethany Ladies	Kaye Atwood		
St. Paul Men	Jim Bouldin	Joe Brown	
Golden Rule	Hazel Davis	Eloise Poole	
Adult Men #2	Charles Davis	Albert Jones	
Adult Ladies	Pauline Saunders	Lossie Cox	
Adult Men	Clayton Bennett	Marvin Gatlin	

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPT.

S. S. Directors	Wade Powell	Edsel Moffitt
Jr. Assm. Directors	Darlene Cox	Sandy Jarrell
Jr. Assm. Song Leaders	Darlene Cox	Sandy Jarrell
Jr. Assm. Pianist	Camille Mercer	
S. S. Secretaries	Edna Long	Kaye Atwood

CHURCH OFFICES

Music Director	Jerry Atwood	Darlene Cox
Organist	Kaye Atwood	Myra Mercer
Pianist	Lynda Moran	Myra Mercer
Clerk	Flossie Ferree	Darlene Cox
Treasurer	Edna Freeman	Edna Long
Financial Secretary	Doris M. Cox	Joyce Davis
Rep. to Randolph Exec. Bd.	Joe Brown	
Historian	Joyce Davis	Wally Jarrell
Librarian	Eloise Poole	Brenda Fields
Projectionist	Reggie Long	Rayvon Cox
Bulletin Editor	Reggie Long	Kaye Atwood

COMMITTEES First Name Temporary Chairman except Budget Committee

Ushers	Edsel Moffitt Greg Cox	Bernau Brown Alan Moffitt	Johnnie Poole Calvin Cox
Auditing	Jerry Atwood	Lynda Moran	Wade Powell
Budget	Wally Jarrell, Chairman Joe Brown	Marvin Gatlin - Plus organization Heads	
Music	Jerry Atwood Darlene Cox	Kaye Atwood Myra Mercer	Lynda Moran
Flower	Doris M. Cox	Epsie Needham	Clara Powell
Welfare	Edsel Moffitt Epsie Needham	Voyage Brady Ruth Brown	Lloyd Cox
Maintenance	Marvin Gatlin	Charles Davis	
Purchasing	Voyage Brady	Lloyd Cox	Edna Freeman
Social	Ruth Brown	Edna Long	Darlene Cox
Nominating	Joe Brown Rayvon Cox	Flossie Ferree Pauline Saunders	Edna Long
	Plus Organizational Heads		

Messengers to Assn.	Algie Long	Edna Long	Joe Brown
	Ruth Brown	Bernau Brown	Jewel Brown
Alternates to Assn.	Charles Davis	Hazel Davis	
	Edna Cox	Lossie Cox	
Parking	Lloyd Cox	Herbert Stout	Paul Cox, Sr.
Christmas Program	Rev. Roger Mercer		
Christmas Treats	Ushers		
Youth Coordinators	Wade Powell	Clara Powell	Jerry Atwood
	Kaye Atwood	Greg Cox	
Tape Ministry	Mark Freeman	Reggie Long	Jerry Atwood
Constitutional Committee Three-year Term	Flossie Ferree		
Vacation Bible School Dir.	Wade Powell	Marvin Gatlin	

WMU

Director	Edna Freeman	
Baptist Women President	Pauline Saunders	
Acteen Director	Darlene Cox	
GA Director	Doris B. Cox	Joan Gatlin
Mission Friends Director	_____	

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF PASTORS AND MEN
LICENSED AND/OR ORDAINED BY DEEP RIVER CHURCH

THE REV. TRYON MCFARLAND BALDWIN
1882-1884, 1888

Born - April 4, 1837, Randolph County, NC, to Ausbon & Mary Baldwin

Died - March 26, 1904, Moore County, NC

Buried - Dover Baptist Church, Moore County

Education - Public schools of Randolph County, NC

Ordained - July, 1867, Mechanics Hill Baptist Church, Moore County, NC

Some pastorates - Alamance County: Mt. Zion; Chatham County: Brush Creek, Falls Creek, Moons Chapel, Tyson's Creek; Moore County: Bethlehem, Dover, Friendship, Mechanics Hill, Pine Grove; Randolph County: Cedar Falls, Columbia, Cross Roads, Deep River, Mt. Pleasant, Shady Grove; Richmond County: Saron

Married - December 21, 1856 to Molsey S. Craven

Children - Henry T., Andrew M., Susanna E., Walter M. F.

An active Temperance and Sunday School worker

Active in Association work - Member of Executive Board, and Relief Board Committee in 1901.

He was active in the Masonic Order, a member of Mt. Olivet Lodge, No. 195 at Erect, NC.

He assisted the Rev. J. L. Smith in organizing Union Grove Baptist Church, September 19, 1887.

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn., 1905, pp. 5-7; Biblical Recorder, June 22, 1904, (Obituary); Randolph County Census, 1870; Pastorates as listed in Sandy Creek Assn. Minutes; Records of Grand Lodge of NC

THE REV. MANLEY FORRESTER
1885-1886

Born - April 10, 1844, Chatham County, NC, to Samuel C. & Susannah Bray Forrester Was one of 14 children by first marriage.

Died - February 4, 1895, Randolph County, NC

Buried - City Cemetery, Ramseur, NC

Education - Unknown

Ordained - Unknown

Some pastorates - Randolph County: Columbia, Deep River; Also served as a delegate from Brush Creek, Columbia, Rives Chapel

Married - Dec. 10, 1876 to Maggie S. Dowd by Rev. W.H.H. Lawhon

Children - Only two known, John R., other child's name unknown, died at age 15 These two and wife were buried at City Cemetery, Ramseur, NC

Active in associational work - served on several committees

Appointed as messenger to NC Baptist State Convention in 1874

Served in Civil War in Co. E, 26th Regt. NC Troops. Enlisted March 8, 1862 Wounded July, 1862, at Gettysburg, left leg amputated below knee; Captured and taken to US General Hospital, Point Lookout, Maryland

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn.; Forrester Bible; Chatham County Census, 1860; Chatham Co. marriage records, 1872-1886; Pastorates as listed in Sandy Creek Assn. minutes; Civil War service records of the National Archives, Washington, D.C.

THE REV. JOSEPH DANIEL HACKNEY
1887

Born - January 2, 1843, Chatham County, NC to the Rev. Daniel and Mary Culberson Hackney

Died - January 12, 1927, Randolph County, NC

Buried - Franklinville Baptist Church Cemetery, Franklinville, NC

Education - Mt. Vernon Springs, Chatham County, NC

Ordained - February, 1882, at Mineral Springs Church, Chatham County, NC

Some pastorates - Chatham County: Rives Chapel; Randolph County: Deep River, Macedonia. Served also in Guilford and Moore Counties

Married - January 23, 1866, to Sarah Jane Dorsett

Children - Leonidas L., John Pritchard, Samuel Henry, William Royal, Mittie D. and Julie G.

Served in Civil War in 26th Regt. Band of NC Troops as Drum Major. Wounded and captured at Gettysburg

Served in capacity of deacon, trustee, clerk of his church, Sunday School missionary in Sandy Creek Association.

A personal sketch written by him - "My work for 56 years has been that of an evangelist, going out in the highways and hedges preaching in schoolhouses, under brush arbors, going from house to house preaching the word in the home and praying with the people."

Active in Masonic Fraternity, member of Hanks Lodge, No. 128 at Franklinville, NC

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn., Biographical files (Baptist Historical Collection, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC) Randolph Co. Vital Statistics (Death Certificate) NC Troops, 1861-1865, A roster (Publication of NC Division of Archives and History)

THE REV. GEORGE WASHINGTON HARMON
1893-1895, 1902, 1908

Born - October 16, 1850

Died - May 16, 1914, Guilford County, NC

Buried - Presbyterian Church, Mt. Vernon Springs, NC

Education - Unknown

Ordained - September 22, 1893, at the Sandy Creek Associational Meeting held at Moon's Chapel Baptist Church, Chatham County, NC

Some pastorates - Chatham County: Antioch, Rocky River, Rocky Springs, Sandy Branch, Tysons Creek; Randolph County: Deep River, Macedonia, Mt. Pleasant, Sandy Creek. Also served in the Piedmont Assn.

Married - First, Frances Boone; Second, Rilla G. Smith

Children - Those known: Joseph M., Hampton, Grace, Martha (Mattie), Lizzie, Hattie, Nettie

Active in associational work - served on several committees

Obituary excerpt from Sandy Creek Assn. Minutes - "He was a true man of God, a faithful shepherd, a sincere Christian, one who feared God and eschewed evil. He hated the false, but loved and defended the true. He fought a good fight, kept the faith, finished well his course and has gone to receive his crown."

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Association, Harmon Family Bible

THE REV. ADDISON KINGSBURY SCOTTEN
1896, 1899, 1900-1901, 1905

Born - April 4, 1853, Randolph County, NC to William Peter and Arminta Williams Scotten

Died - December 21, 1934, Randolph County, NC

Buried - Holly Springs Friends Meeting, Randolph County, NC

Education - Randolph Schools, Aurrow Academy, four-year college

Ordained - October 10, 1897 at the Sandy Creek Associational Meeting, held at Brush Creek Baptist Church, Chatham County, NC. "Rev. J. L. Smith offered the prayer; W. H. H. Lawhon delivered the charge; T. M. Baldwin presented the Bible."

Some pastorates - Randolph County: Deep River, Mt. Pleasant, Sandy Creek

Married - October 9, 1878 to Decie Lousina Craven

Children - Hattie, Donna, Maude, Bessie, Albert, Clester, Spurgeon, Alma, Ornice and Dwight

In 1885 he became a minister of the Methodist Protestant Church in the NC Conference. He was pastor of Stanley Circuit, 1886, 1890; Pastor of High Point Circuit, 1887-1889. He remained a member of this conference until November 23, 1894. His daughter, Ornice states, "He traveled the High Point Circuit, and the only M. P. church that had a parsonage was Albemarle. He was a 'Circuit Rider'. Sometimes he was away from his family three or four weeks."

He was a school teacher for 10 years, postmaster at Coleridge, NC, surveyor, then County surveyor for 16 years. He was a magistrate, merchant, Notary Public, and also a poet and musician. He lived in Ramseur for 10 years, and while there taught the Men's Bible Class.

He was an active member of Deep River Masonic Lodge No. 164 at Coleridge.

Following is a poem written by the Rev. Scotten on May 26, 1934, for his own rites:

WHEN MY DAYS ARE ENDED

When my days are ended,
Then let me step aside;
Be there no falling tears,
The soul, it hath not died.

Earth has no resting place,
Nor a lasting dome;
The soul goes out in peace
For its final home.

Despondent one, why sorrow
When departed ones are gone?
They bask in depths of love
Where life is flowing on.

Tho' mem'ry holds on dearly
And cannot pass away,
The ransomed soul departed
Has a brighter day.

Waiting for the loved ones
Left on this mundane shore,
And when they shall arrive
Parting be no more.

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn., Minutes of North Carolina Methodist Protestant Conference, Family information

THE REV. JESSE LEWIS SMITH
1897-1898, 1906-1907

Born - August 13, 1836, Chatham County, NC to Jesse & Elizabeth Hutt Smith

Died - October 5, 1909, Siler City, NC

Buried - Loves Creek Baptist Church Cemetery, Siler City, NC

Education - Unknown

Ordained - October 1872 at Loves Creek Baptist Church by Elders William Lineberry, D. C. Murchison, Thomas H. Matthews, and Daniel Hackney

Some pastorates - Alamance County: Mt. Zion; Chatham County: Bear Creek, Emmaus, Fall Creek, Hickory Mountain, Loves Creek, Mineral Springs, Moon's Chapel, Rocky River, Rocky Springs, Sandy Branch; Lee County: Cool Springs; Moore County: Bethlehem, Dover, Flint Hill, Fork Creek, Friendship, Mechanic's Hill; Randolph County: Cedar Falls, Columbia, Deep River, Macedonia, Moore's Chapel, Mt. Pleasant, Sandy Creek, Staley, Union Grove; Also Flint Ridge, Maple Springs, Walla's Barn, counties unknown

Married - March 9, 1859 to Eliza Adcock

Children - Mary Etta, Cattie Smith Fesmire, Shubal Sterns, Jesse Merritt, Richard Romulus.

Did missionary work in the Association for two years

The Rev. Smith kept an interesting diary, now in the possession of his granddaughter, Ruth Smith of Siler City, containing old financial records of payments from members of the churches he served. It also contains a list of gifts for weddings and funerals, some in cash, others in merchandise, tobacco, wheat, oats, barley, stocks, horseshoes, shingles, nails, and labor given him for shoeing his horse.

He enlisted in Confederate Army during Civil War in the 26th NC Regt. at age of 25; Captured in the Battle of the Wilderness and imprisoned at Elmira Prison, NY until the close of the hostilities. It was stated by another soldier that he was a brave and honorable soldier who never uttered a profane word, and who loved and read his Bible.

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn., North Carolina Troops, 1861-1865, a Roster (Publication of the NC Division of Archives and History)

THE REV. WILLIAM HENRY STRICKLAND
1903-1904, 1914-1917

Born-July 11, 1860, Wake County, NC to W. H. & Sarah Prince Strickland

Died - January 17, 1924, Guilford County, Greensboro, NC

Buried - Green Hill Cemetery, Greensboro, NC

Education - Unknown

Ordained - About 1892

Some Pastorates - Chatham County: Bennett, Fall Creek; Guilford County: Eller Memorial, Mt. Zion, Walnut Street, White Oak First; Montgomery County: Star; Moore County: Calvary, Pine Grove; Randolph County: Beulah, Deep River, Mt. Pleasant, Riverside, Union Grove

Married - Date unknown to Etta Baker

Children - Della, Charles, Colon, John, Vernie, Claude, Coy

Active in Association work in Sandy Creek and Piedmont Associations, including the Relief Board, Committee on New Churches, committee to appoint Executive Committee and the Finance, Temperance, and Infirmary Committees

During his pastorate at Fall Creek, in 1916, a new building was completed, paid for, and dedicated in the space of one year.

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn., Guilford County Vital Statistics (Death Certificate), Mrs. Colon M. Strickland, Piedmont Associational Minutes.

THE REV. LOVICK PATTERSON SOOTS
1909

Born - April 25, 1888, Alamance County, NC to William and Alice Carroll Soots

Died - January 4, 1969, Goldston, Chatham County, NC

Buried - Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery, Chatham County, NC Funeral conducted by The Rev. Claude Johnson

Education - Mt. Vernon Boarding School, Sandy Creek Baptist Institute, Liberty Normal College; studied at Wake Forest College

Ordained - January 10, 1909, Mt. Zion Church, Alamance County, NC

Some Pastorates - Chatham County: Bear Creek, Bennett, Gum Springs, Hickory Grove, New Salem, Rock Springs; Lee County: Flat Springs; Randolph County: Beulah, Deep River, Sandy Creek, Staley. Also pastored Fieldale Baptist in Fieldale, VA. Also preached in Alamance County at Mt. Zion and in Piedmont & Pilot Mtn. Assns.

Married - October 26, 1909 to Lizzie Catherine Hilliard, Chatham County, NC

Children - Eunice Soots Watson, Elvin A., William C., Stacy V., Dalton C.

Active in Evangelistic and supply work

His grandson, Virgil Soots, is a Methodist minister

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn., Obituaries from Chatham News (Siler City, NC), and Sanford Herald, Biographical Files (Baptist Historical Collection, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC) Fieldale Baptist Church History, Fieldale, VA (The First Fifty Years)

THE REV. JOHN WESLEY PHILLIPS
1910

Born - June 3, 1866, Chatham County, NC to The Rev. John Wesley & Emily Welch Phillips

Died - May 14, 1936, Randolph County, NC

Buried - Brush Creek Baptist Church Cemetery, Chatham County, NC

Education - Ramseur Academy

Ordained - Unknown

Some pastorates - Moore County: Flint Hill, Mechanics Hill; Randolph County: Deep River, Union Grove; also supplied in Moore County at Pine Grove

Married - February 17, 1904, to Florence Calhoun (Callie) Brooks

Children - Elbridge, Mildred Phillips Denson

Taught School at Phillips Schoolhouse in Randolph County and Acorn Ridge School in Moore County

Served often as delegate to Sandy Creek Assn.

Served as Superintendent of Sandy Branch

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn., Rev. John W. Phillips, Sr. Bible, Personal recollections of Mildred Phillips Denson (daughter)

THE REV. GROVER CLEVELAND PHILLIPS
1911-1913

Born - August 1, 1884, Moore County, NC to Charles Wesley & Lucretia M. Brady Phillips

Died - September 1, 1965, Moore Memorial Hospital, Pinehurst, NC

Buried - Fall Creek Baptist Church Cemetery, Chatham County, NC

Education - Attended Chatham County Public Schools, took examination and received a first grade teaching certificate, took a post-graduate correspondence course in theology with Iowa Christian College, 1917-23

Ordained - July 11, 1911, Fall Creek Baptist Church by The Rev. K. C. Horner, F. L. Fiddler, D. R. Sears

Some pastorates - Chatham County: Antioch, Hickory Grove, May's Chapel, Pleasant Hill; Moore County: Flint Hill, Friendship, Mechanics Hill, Pine Grove; Randolph County: Deep River, Mt. Pleasant, Riverside, Sandy Creek, Whites Memorial; Stanley County: Kendall's, New London, Prospect; also did evangelistic work in NC, SC, and VA; pastored in four associations: Piedmont, Sandy Creek, Stanley, Mt. Zion.

Married - April 26, 1908, to Selana Missouria Myrick at High Falls, NC

Children - Edna Mary Phillips, Payton Wendell, Charles Woodrow, Sarah Lucretia, Robert Grover Lincoln, Jennings Lemuel Gray, Talmage Cleveland, Jesse Ray, Martha Angie, Thelma Ruth, Howard Warren

Served as Clerk of Stanley Assn. Union, 1924-25; served as Secretary of the Pastor's Conference; was publicity director of Stanley Assn., 1924-25

He was a rural mail carrier for four years. Served as Postmaster at Bear Creek in Chatham County for 9½ years. Was Secretary of the NC State Convention of Postmasters, 1919-21.

Taught School in Moore and Chatham Counties, 1902-03, 1908-14. Served as principal

Several commendations in the "Biblical Recorder" at various times

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn., Obituary from Sanford Herald (Lee County) Biographical Files (Baptist Historical Collection, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC

THE REV. ANGUS GORDON LASSITER
1918-1920

Born - April 16, 1868, Montgomery County, NC to Stephen & Margaret Ruby Deaton Lassiter

Died - September 9, 1950, Guilford County, NC

Buried - Lassiter Cemetery, Dover Community, Montgomery County, NC

Education - Unknown

Ordained - May 16, 1915, Dover Baptist Church, Moore County, NC

Some pastorates - Chatham County: Antioch, Bennett, Brush Creek, Fall Creek, Hickory Grove; Moore County: Mechanics Hill, Pine Grove; Randolph County: Beulah, Deep River, Riverside

Married - January 14, 1885 to Fannie C. Owen in Montgomery County, NC

Children - Bevin, Lillie Ester Lassiter Freeman, George Stephen, Ina Helen Lassiter Sykes, Laner Caroline

The Rev. Lassiter was a charter member of the Star Baptist Church in Montgomery County on the 5th Sunday in January, 1888. During the late 1800's and early 1900's, he served as a teacher and school commissioner at the Poplar Springs School, also in Montgomery County, near Star.

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn., The Rev. Charles L. Lassiter, (nephew), Minutes of Dover Baptist Church, "Pattern of Timeless Moments", (a history of Montgomery County) by Mabel S. Lassiter

THE REV. JOHN CURTIS KIDD
1921-1925

Born - December 9, 1890, Chatham County, NC to Dennis Curtis & Mary Jane Smith Kidd

Died - October 19, 1977, Chatham County, NC

Buried - Bennett Baptist Church Cemetery, Chatham County, NC

Education - Fall Creek School (Grades 1-7), Mt. Vernon Springs Academy

Ordained - October 1, 1921 at the Sandy Creek Associational Meeting held at Bennett Baptist Church, Chatham County, NC

Some pastorates - Chatham County: Antioch, Bear Creek, Bennett, Fall Creek, Oakley, Rocky River; Randolph County: Deep River, Glenola, Huldah, Mt. Lebanon, Mt. Pleasant, Riverside, Union Grove, West Asheboro; also Kinnetts, association or county unknown

Married - 2nd Sunday in June, 1911 to Lula Frances Caviness (Died August 7, 1966) December, 1968 to Laura McNeil Cooper.

Children - Lewis C., J. Henry, Norman Bennett, Margaret Kidd Maness, Cornie Greene, Dorothy Kidd Hancock, Cordia Kidd Shelton, Johnsie Kidd Bouldin

First sermon was preached at Mt. Zion Methodist Church, taken from James 3:1-6 with verse 5 as his text

Was 31 when he came to Deep River, which was one of his first churches

Rode a white horse to church the first year, had a car the second year

Did much evangelistic work

Baptized hundreds of persons into membership of his churches

Was one of the leaders instrumental in the formation of the Randolph Association; served as Moderator of both the Sandy Creek and Randolph Associations

Very active in associational work

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn., Minutes of Randolph Assn., Mrs. Cordia Kidd Shelton (daughter), Personal records of Rev. Kidd, Chatham News (Obituary)

THE REV. COLON McCARTIN STRICKLAND
1925-1934, Sept. 1939-Dec. 1942, 1952-1961

Born - December 31, 1888, Harnett County, NC to Rev. William Henry & Etter Baker Strickland

Died - June 14, 1972, Randolph County, NC

Buried - Asbury Baptist Church Cemetery, Montgomery County, NC

Education - First attended school near Star, NC; Wallburg Academy, Wallburg, NC

Ordained - 1918 Pomona Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC

Some pastorates - Chatham County: Bennett; Guilford County: Magnolia Street; Montogomery County: Asbury (Randolph Assoc.), Center, Dover, Liberty Hill; Randolph County: Beulah, Cedar Falls, Deep River, Mt. Pleasant, Riverside

Married - October 1, 1912 to Lula Green Ritter

Children - Harvey Rogers, Violet Agnes Strickland Boyd, John Junior, Ruby Inez Strickland York, Helen Hope Strickland Clifton, David Lee

Served 17 years at Beulah Baptist Church during which time the church experienced much growth in enrollment and with the addition of Sunday School rooms. During his ministry at Beulah the following were licensed to preach: Rev. Roland Kidd, Rev. W. M. Leonard, Rev. Clinton Powers, & Rev. Howard Caviness.

At the completion of 25 years in the pastorate of Asbury Baptist Church, a special service was held in his honor on February 11, 1962. He continued to serve until Dec. 23, 1962. During his ministry there, enrollment doubled, the church was extensively renovated, and a parsonage was built.

Rev. Strickland served as pastor of Deep River Baptist Church at three different periods for a total of approximately 21 years. During the years he pastored here, 184 persons were baptized. Sunday school rooms were added to the frame church building during 1940 and 1941. Kirby Stout, Grier Stout, and James Bouldin were licensed into the ministry during his pastorate.

The Rev. Strickland was loved by young and old alike, but especially the smaller children. Rev. Talmage Smith, while Associational Missionary of the Randolph Baptist Association, once summed up Rev. Strickland's life by saying, "A remarkable man is this your pastor. He is a preacher who loves his people and who ministers to their need."

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn.; Minutes of Randolph Association; Randolph County Vital Statistics (Death Certificate); Articles from Courier-Tribune; and The Biblical Recorder; Information given by Rev. Strickland during his last pastorate at Deep River; Information from family; Deep River Baptist Church minutes.

THE REV. ROSS ELZY HEATH
1935-1936

Born - October 4, 1888, Guilford County, NC to Jesse Thompson & Mary Isley Heath

Died - August 28, 1955, Guilford County, NC (Resided at Haw River)

Buried - Friedman's Lutheran Church Cemetery near Gibsonville, NC

Education - Attended Pastors' School at Fruitland Bible Institute

Ordained - 1926, Bessemer Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC

Some pastorates - Alamance County: Oak Grove; Guilford County: Lebanon; Montgomery County: Asbury (Randolph Assn.); Randolph County: Balfour, Center Cross, Deep River, Maple Springs, Sandy Creek, Shady Grove

Married - May 1, 1907 to Florence Cheek

Children - Troy W., W. G., Nancy Elizabeth Heath Oakes, Raymond, Ross Elzy, Jr.

Vice Moderator of Randolph Association, 1937-41; Moderator, 1942-44

Was Randolph Baptist Association's first delegate to the State Convention; Served on various committees within the Randolph Association

During his pastorate at Balfour Baptist, the first educational building was erected

Was regular speaker for "The Friendly Gospel Hour" radio program on WGWR radio, Asheboro, NC during the spring of 1947

Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn.; Minutes of Randolph Assn.; Obituaries; Information from family

THE REV. DEWEY L. TEMPLE
Sept. 26, 1937-Sept., 1939

Born - July 18, 1901, Davidson County, NC, to Richard Johnson & Lincey Leonard Temple

Died - October 16, 1982; Resident of Jonesville, Yadkin County, NC

Buried - Maple Springs Baptist Church Cemetery, Wilkes County, NC

Education - Schools in Davidson County, NC; Attended Rutherford College, 1924-25

Ordained - About 1935 by Pomona Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC

Some pastorates - Forsyth County: New Hope; Moore County: Hemp; Randolph County: Deep River; Wake County: Macedonia; Wilkes County: Roaring River; Yadkin County: Arlington, Island Ford, Shady Grove, Swaim's, Swan Creek

Married - February, 1, 1920 to Mittie Florence Clodfelter

Children - Willis D., Norman P., Ulysses M., David M., Billy M., Donald K., Delavinia Temple Wagoner, Shirley Temple Walters, Richard J.

Church at Hemp, (Robbins, NC), was built during his first pastorate

During his ministry, several of the churches he pastored completed building and renovation projects. One example in particular was at Swan Creek, where the old church house was destroyed by fire, and a new one was built at a cost of more than $100,000 and was paid for in approximately five years

Island Ford Baptist Church proclaimed August 20, 1972 as Dewey L. Temple Day and bestowed upon him the honorary title of "Lifetime Pastor" for his many faithful and fruitful years of service.

Sources - Minutes of Randolph Assn.; Island Ford Baptist Church "Dewey L. Temple Day" Leaflet; Information from family; Deep River Baptist Church Minutes

THE REV. ROLAND KIDD
Dec. 20, 1942-Jan. 18, 1945

Born - November 5, 1912, Moore County, NC, to Robert William Goldston and Minerva Ellen Stokes Kidd

Died - January 18, 1945, Moore County, NC

Buried - Beulah Baptist Church Cemetery, Randolph County, NC

Education - Cedar Creek School, Chatham County, Scofield Bible Correspondence Course

Ordained - January 18, 1936 at Beulah Baptist Church, Randolph County, NC

Some pastorates - Moore County: Flint Hill, Friendship; Randolph County: Deep River; Also held services at the following churches: Asbury, Bear Creek, Bennett, Bethlehem, Beulah, Big Oak Christian, Fall Creek, Hickory Grove, Mechanics Hill, Mt. Zion Methodist, Oakley, Pleasant Grove Christian, Red Branch, Riverside, Rocky River, Shady Grove, Union Grove; also, Calvary and Ward Street

Married - March 27, 1937 to Blanche Evelyn Cole; married by The Rev. Colon Strickland

Children - Roland Dwight

The Rev. Kidd kept a complete record of the services he held, including marriages, funerals, and baptisms, and a record of homes in which he had meals while at Deep River.

Performed the marriage of two of our members, O.C. Brady, Jr. and Helen Lawson on March 22, 1944 at Beulah Baptist Church

His first baptismal service at Deep River was held August 15, 1943. The candidates were Hubert Ferree, Harold Cox, Pauline Kidd, Mary Lee Marley, Pearl Marley

He was sick and bedridden for much of his early life. During his illness, he became an avid reader, particularly the Holy Bible, after being converted in 1926.

Sources - Personal papers of Rev. Kidd; Information from family

THE REV. CLARENCE LEONARD SMITH
Feb. 10, 1945-Oct., 1945

Born - April 7, 1903, Cumberland County, NC to George Franklin & Minnie Lee Lowery Smith

Living as of this date

Education - Massey High School, Fayetteville, NC

Ordained - August, 1940, Cedar Falls Baptist Church, Randolph County, NC

Some pastorates - Randolph County: Deep River, Sandy Creek; Also supplied in several churches in or near Ft. Myers, Florida

Married - December 24, 1922, to Lillie Mae Perry, Raleigh, NC

Children - Rudolph L., Maranda L. Smith Barwick, Ralph H.

The Rev. Smith completed the remaining portion of the church year at Deep River Baptist Church after the death of The Rev. Roland Kidd.

The Rev. Smith is now retired and living in Ft. Myers, Florida.

His daughter, Maranda Kidd Barwick, is presently a missionary to Spanish-speaking people in Texas.

The Rev. Smith worked 24 years at the Central Falls Mill and also sold insurance for Pilot Life Insurance Company.

Sources - Deep River Baptist Church Minutes; Information from family

THE REV. CLAUDE JONES JOHNSON
November 11, 1945-April, 1947

Born - September 8, 1911, Chatham County, NC to Thomas & Etta Dunn Johnson

Died - September 24, 1977, Lee County, NC

Buried - Deep River Baptist Church Cemetery, Randolph County, NC

Education - Goldston High School, Goldston, NC; Columbia Bible College, correspondence courses

Ordained - December 14, 1945 at Goldston Baptist Church, Goldston, NC

Some pastorates - Chatham County: Bear Creek, Bennett, Gum Springs, Rock Springs, Rocky River; Randolph County: Deep River

Married - December 24, 1947 to Hallie Cain

Children - William Darrell, born Nov. 3, 1948, died Jan. 21, 1966

Deep River Baptist Church was The Rev. Johnson's first pastorate.

The Rev. Johnson spent much of his time visiting in the hospitals and homes of his members, as well as the host of friends he had. He was one of the best-loved spiritual leaders of Chatham County.

Over thirty area churches organized a fund-raising drive, and on October 3, 1976, hundreds of his friends gathered at Chatham Central High School at Bear Creek, NC, and presented him with a new Ford car. The remaining money from the fund paid numerous hospital bills and debts, resulting from his, his wife's and son's illnesses.

Even though he kept no records of funerals or weddings, it is said he conducted more funerals than any other preacher in this area.

Sources - Deep River Baptist Church Minutes; Information from family; Remarks written by Clerk of Bear Creek Baptist Church

THE REV. BENNIE LEWIS MANESS
Nov. 23, 1947-November, 1950

Born - March 7, 1918, Moore County, NC to James Charlie & Dora Bell Hayes Maness

Living as of this date

Education - Robbins Grammar School, Elise Academy (took 4 years of Bible at Elise)

Ordained - July 7, 1937 at First Baptist Church, Robbins, NC

Some pastorates - Chatham County: Bennett; Montgomery County: Asbury (Randolph Assn.); Moore County: Acorn Ridge, Calvary, Flint Hill, Pine Grove, Red Branch; Randolph County: Beulah, Deep River, Union Grove; Harnett County: Macedonia

Married - July 3, 1937 to Madie Alma Williams

Children - Bobby Lewis, Vernelle M. Maness

The Rev. Maness has served as Moderator of the Randolph Baptist Association, Chairman of the Pastor's Conference, and has held membership on several committees.

During his 15 years as pastor of Asbury Baptist Church, his ministry was greatly blessed, evidenced by the completion of a new sanctuary.

The conducting of funerals and revivals has been a great part of his ministry.

Presently pastoring Pine Grove Baptist Church, Robbins, NC

Sources - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; Minutes of Randolph Association; The Rev. Bennie Maness

THE REV. ROBERT NEWTON HUNSUCKER
January 7, 1951-August, 1952

Born-February 9, 1912, Stanley County, NC to William Franklin & Nettie Geneva Morton Hunsucker

Living as of this date

Education - Asheboro City Schools

Ordained - April 29, 1951 at Deep River Baptist Church, Randolph County, NC

Some pastorates - Randolph County: Center Cross, Deep River, Friendship (now Armfield Heights), Oakwood Park, Temple Baptist Chapel. Also served as interim pastor at Antioch Christian Church and Pleasant Union United Church of Christ, both in Randolph County

Married - November 15, 1931 to Nellie Earsley Albright

Children - Richard B., George Michael

Deep River Baptist Church was his first pastorate. He was licensed to preach and called as pastor on the same day, January 7, 1951.

Served as a member of the Ordination Committee in the Randolph Association

His ministry was blessed at the churches he served, evidenced by additions of educational and fellowship buildings and construction of an entire church at Armfield Heights.

Is presently serving as Interim pastor of Pleasant Union United Church of Christ, Asheboro, NC

Sources - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; The Rev. Robert Hunsucker

THE REV. JOHN GRIFFIN BAILEY
January 7, 1962-October, 1967

Bron - April 9, 1914, Randolph County, NC to John Pearson & Victoria Burrow Bailey

Living as of this date

Education - Randolph County Schools: Spero, Ulah, and Asheboro Schools; Technical training with Utilities Engineering Inst., Chicago, IL; and electronics at United Electronics, Louisville, KY; graduated from Fruitland Baptist Institute in 1962; certificate of Theology from Southeastern Seminary in 1967

Ordained - June 14, 1959 at Russell's Grove Baptist Church, Randolph County, NC

Some pastorates - Carteret County: Davis First; Chatham County: Bear Creek, Durham County: Red Mountain; Gaston County: South Point; Randolph County: Deep River, Maple Springs, Riverside; was interim pastor at Center Cross, Russell's Grove, West Asheboro, all in Randolph County

Married - February 11, 1943, to Ruby Pauline Lyndon

Official duties for the Association and/or Convention have consisted of serving as Christian Life representative, working with various committees, President of Pastor's Conference, along with a few duties in his Fruitland Class Organization.

While at Deep River Baptist Church, he preached revivals in the following associations: Randolph, Sandhills, Anson, and Sandy Creek, and also at New Hope Baptist Mission, Beulahville, NC

The Rev. Bailey is presently pastor of Maple Springs Baptist Church, Seagrove, NC

Sources - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; The Rev. J. G. Bailey

THE REV. ALBERT LESTER TAYLOR
September 22, 1968-May 25, 1975

Born - April 10, 1930, Surry County, NC to Albert Franklin & Maude Southern Taylor

Living as of this date

Education - Cook School, Pilot Mountain High School, Surry County, NC

Ordained - January 12, 1969, at Southside Baptist Church, High Point, NC

Some pastorates - Alamance County: Ossipee; Guilford County: Community; Randolph: Calvary, Deep River, Maple Springs

Married - December 29, 1948 to Rachel East, High Point, NC

Children - Eddie Dean, Judy Taylor Smith, Diane Taylor Kernodle

In the course of The Rev. Taylor's pastorate at Deep River, the Lord called Bob Brown and Timothy Strider into the ministry.

While a member at Southside Baptist Church, in High Point, NC, he served as Deacon and Sunday School teacher.

In the Randolph Baptist Association, he was a member of the Committee on Committees, and the Committee on Place, Time, and Preacher; Piedmont Association Properties Committee

He is now pastor of Community Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC.

Sources - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; Minutes of Randolph Association; The Rev. Albert Taylor

THE REV. THOMAS GRAY BROWN
July 29, 1975-November 25, 1979

Born - August 5, 1942, Stokes County, NC to Virgil Henry & Bernice Shelton Brown

Living as of this date

Education - Sumner High School; Pembroke State University, Pembroke, NC; High Point College, High Point, NC

Ordained - July 19, 1970 at Sumner Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC

Some pastorates - Randolph County: Deep River; Robeson County: Oakdale; Dillon County, SC: Mount Calvary

Married - August 15, 1964 to Norma Leigh Walker, Sumner Baptist, Greensboro, NC

Children - Mark Thomas, Todd Randall

The Rev. Brown was instrumental in re-establishing a W.M.U. program and the organization of Brotherhood. Also in this period the tape ministry for the aged and shut-ins was begun, a Church Constitution and Deacon rotation system were adopted, the church retired the parsonage debt, and a church bulletin was initiated. He also organized a men's and women's softball team. He has served as President, Secretary, Sunday School Director, and Vice Moderator of Randolph Association.

Has served as Associational Sunday School Director, President and vice moderator of Pee Dee Baptist Association of South Carolina

He was a member of the Coleridge Vol. Fire Dept. and an active officer in the Randolph County Fire Assn. He has served as Dillon Co. Alcohol and Drug Counselor and President of the Gordan Elementary School PTA

Presently has a radio program on Dillon Radio Station WDSC 95 AM

Has held many revivals in several associations in North and South Carolina

He is now pastor of the Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Dillon, SC

Sources - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; The Rev. Thomas Brown; Minutes of Randolph Association

THE REV. ROGER DALE MERCER
Oct. 19, 1980-Present date

Born - November 18, 1944, Gaston County, NC to Foy C. & Mary M. Bagwell Mercer

Living as of this date

Education - Mt. Holly High School; NC Textile School, Belmont, NC; Southern Baptist Seminary Extension, Gaston Baptist Association; Graduated from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, NC 1980

Ordained - October 26, 1980 at Catawba Heights Baptist Church, Belmont, NC

Pastorate - Randolph County: Deep River

Married - November 10, 1967 to Myra Loraine Wilson

Children - Allison Camille, Jeffery Brian, Emily Nicole (born March 7, 1983)

Deep River Baptist Church is the Rev. Mercer's first pastorate. However, he has preached on several occasions in North and South Carolina, and served as Supply Pastor for Westview Presbyterian Church in Mt. Holly, NC

He was instrumental in organizing a children's worship program on Sunday morning while at Catawba Heights Baptist Church in Mt. Holly, NC; served as pastor of the Junior Church, and worked with the Bus Ministry at Catawba Heights. The Rev. Mercer has served as Sunday School and Training Union teacher, worked with the R.A.'s and special music.

Served on the Evangelism Committee, and as Chairman of People Search Committee for the "Here's Hope Crusade" of the Randolph Baptist Association.

Served in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, 1965-72.

Was a Textile mill manager before entering the ministry

Sources - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; Minutes of Randolph Association; The Rev. Roger Mercer

THE REV. REUBEN TALMAGE SMITH
(Interim Pastor) Dec., 1979-Oct., 1980

Born - March 5, 1911, Guilford County, NC to Reuben Arlindo & Margaret C. Dennis Smith

Living as of this date

Education - Greensboro High School; Mars Hill College; Wake Forest College; attended Southeastern Seminary

Ordained - 1945 at Flat Creek Baptist Church, Weaverville, NC

Some pastorates - Guilford County: Magnolia Street; Vance County: Middleburg, New Bethel, Poplar Creek. Interim pastorates, Buncombe County: Flat Creek; Moore County: Dover; Randolph County: Balfour, Calvary, Deep River, Union Grove

Married - November 29, 1934 to Ruby Lee Bass at Eller Memorial Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC

Children - Helen Claire Smith Brown, Reuben Talmage, Jr.

The Rev. Smith served from June 1, 1952 to 1977 as the Randolph Association Field Worker (presently known as Director of Missions). At the 1977 Randolph Associational meeting, the Appreciation Committee said of Rev. Smith: "Our sincere thanks to him for his faithfulness in undergirding us with love, prayer, and helpfulness." The Association exhibited their love for him by presenting The Rev. & Mrs. Smith the house they resided in while serving the Association.

Sources - Minutes of Randolph Association; Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; The Rev. Talmage Smith

THE REV. CLYDE LEONARD MOFFITT

Born - July 7, 1897, Randolph County, NC to Eli Willard & Sarah Frances Leonard Moffitt

Died - January 3, 1971, Randolph County, NC

Buried - Deep River Baptist Church Cemetery, Randolph County, NC

Education - Jones School (Coleridge); Coleridge Academy

Ordained - 1942 at Deep River Baptist Church

Some Pastorates - Chatham County: Hickory Grove; Randolph County: Cedar Falls Riverside. Also was supply pastor at Deep River and Panther Creek, both in Randolph County

Married - September 5, 1922 to Cleta Blanche Cheek at home of Jimmy L. Wright, J.P.

Children - Edsel Roscoe; Frances Anne Moffitt Spivey

The Rev. Moffitt held revivals in Montgomery County and in the churches he pastored. His first sermon was delivered at Deep River Baptist Church.

He served on the following Randolph Associational Committees: Executive, Sunday School, Church Letters, Organization of New Churches, Place and Preacher, and Ordination.

The Rev. Moffitt passed away while teaching his Sunday School class at Deep River Baptist Church.

Sources - Minutes of Randolph Association; Mrs. Clyde Moffitt

THE REV. KIRBY BEN STOUT

Born - June 25, 1908, Randolph County to Larkin Mack & Mary Ellen Cox Stout

Died - March 23, 1972, Chatham County, NC

Buried - Holly Springs Friends Meeting Cemetery, Randolph County, NC

Education - Holly Springs; Parks Cross Roads Schools

Licensed - October 18, 1953 by Deep River Baptist Church

Ordained - March 9, 1969 at White Cross Baptist Church, Staley, NC

Married - December 24, 1938 to Gladys Edna Craven, Asheboro, NC

Children- Kirby Earle, David Ray, Charlotte Ann Stout Jones, George Edward

The Rev. Stout was Assistant pastor at White Cross Baptist Church, Staley, NC and also supplied for The Rev. Claude Johnson on several occasions.

Sources - Family of The Rev. Stout

GRIER NEWLIN STOUT
(Licentiate)

Born - April 30, 1930, Randolph County, NC to Arthur Lester & Stroudie Mae Scott Stout

Living as of this date

Education - Coleridge School; Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute, 1 year, 1955-56

Licensed - December 6, 1953 by Deep River Baptist Church

Has preached at the following churches - Chatham County: Moon's Chapel; Davidson County: Clearview; Montgomery County: Asbury; Moore County: Cross Roads, Red Branch; Randolph County: Calvary, Clearview, Deep River, Farmer, Pleasant Hill, Richland, Shady Grove, Union Grove. Has also preached at Maple Springs Methodist Church in Randolph County

Grier has been employed for many years in the furniture industry, and presently resides near Deep River Baptist Church.

Source - Grier Stout

THE REV. JAMES CHARLES BOULDIN

Born - May 1, 1920, Stokes County, NC to Charles Abel & Gertie Mable Priddy Bouldin

Living as of this date

Education - Coleridge School; Wingate College, Wingate, NC; Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Florida

Licensed - June, 1958 by Deep River Baptist Church

Ordained - May 29, 1960 at Damascus Baptist Church, Graceville, Florida

Some pastorates - Lovedale Baptist Church, Bascom, Florida; New Salem Baptist Church, Chatham County, NC; May's Chapel Baptist Church, Chatham County, NC Has also supplied at Deep River on many occasions

Married - June 24, 1950 to Maggielene Melissa Amick

Children - Cecil Roger, Mark Eugene, Janice Lynn

Has been very active in church work at Deep River

Source - The Rev. James Bouldin

THE REV. WILLIAM EARL GILMORE

Born - December 26, 1946, Chatham County, NC to Marvin Edwin & Lucille Patterson Gilmore

Living as of this date

Education - Paul Braxton Elementary School, Siler City, NC; Jordan-Matthews High School, Siler City, NC; Wingate College, Wingate, NC; Correspondence course on Old & New Testament; Liberty Home Bible Institute

Ordained - September 13, 1970 at Oakley Baptist Church for Bear Creek Baptist Church by the authority and order of Deep River Baptist Church

Some pastorates - Anson County: Deep Creek; Chatham Co.: Bear Creek. Has also supplied in the following churches: Brush Creek, Moon's Chapel, and Rives Chapel, all in Chatham County, NC

Married - June 20, 1970 to Mary Sue Stout

Source - The Rev. William Gilmore

BOBBY JOE BROWN
(Licentiate)

Born - October 30, 1953, Randolph County, NC to Joe Monroe & Ruth S. Snow Brown

Living as of this date

Education - Coleridge School; Eastern Randolph High School; received B.A. degree in religion from Campbell University, Buies Creek, NC

Licensed - December 1, 1973 by Deep River Baptist Church

He has supplied at Cedar Falls Baptist Church and Deep River Baptist Church in Randolph County and Corinth Baptist Church in Sampson County, NC

Married - June 24, 1973 to Marie Phyllis Brady

He is presently attending Southeastern Baptist Seminary, Wake Forest, NC

Source - Bobby Joe Brown

THE REV. TIMOTHY LEE STRIDER

Born - October 9, 1953, Randolph County, NC to William Dennis & Vivian Kinney Strider

Living as of this date

Education - Eastern Randolph High School; Randolph Technical College (Basic College extension courses from U.N.C.G.); correspondence courses from Luther Rice Seminary; Seminary Extension courses from the Southern Baptist Convention. He is presently attending Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute.

Licensed - March 9, 1975 by Deep River Baptist Church

Ordained - January 7, 1979 at Deep River Baptist Church

Pastorate - Randolph County: Clearview Baptist Church. Has also supplied at Deep River Baptist Church

Married - October 9, 1971 to Janice Faye Brady at Deep River Baptist Church

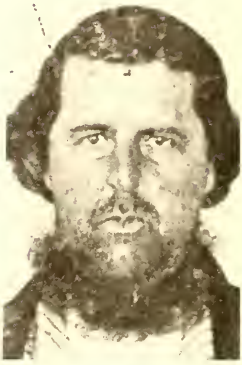
Children - Jeremy Lee

Sources - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; The Rev. Timothy Lee Strider

J. Daniel Hackney

George W. Harmon

Addison K. Scotten



Jesse L. Smith

William H. Strickland

Lovick P. Soots

Note: Tryon M. Baldwin, page 2 ; Manley Forrester, photo not available

John W. Phillips

Grover C. Phillips

Angus G. Lassiter

John C. Kidd

Colon M. Strickland

Ross E. Heath

Dewey L. Temple

Roland Kidd

Clarence L. Smith

Claude J. Johnson

Bennie L. Maness

Robert N. Hunsucker

J. Griffin Bailey

Albert L. Taylor

Thomas G. Brown

Roger D. Mercer

R. Talmage Smith

Clyde L. Moffitt

Kirby B. Stout

Grier N. Stout

James C. Bouldin

William E. Gilmore

Bobby J. Brown

Timothy L. Strider

DEEP RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH MEMBERSHIP ROLL

(Includes all names found on existing rolls and other records)

Name	Year
Albright, Nellie	____
Nordia	____
Shirley	____
Andrews, Rosie Stout	____*
Atwood, Jerry	1971*
Karen	1978*
Kaye Davis	1956*
Lamar	1978*
Bailey, Griffin	1962
Ruby	1962
Barker, Betty Moore	1923*
James	1946*
Baxter, Harold	1971*
Linda Marley	1963*
Beck, Ernest	1974
Fred	1967*
Jacksie Ward	1974*
Wilma Saunders	1967*
Bennett, Clayton	1946*
Veigh Saunders	1920*
Biggs, Lema	1951
Bouldin, C. A.	1928
Cecil	1931
Gertie Priddy	1928
James	1938*
Maggielene Amick	1962*
Mark	1975*
Samuel	1947
Brady, Allie Scott	1917*
Ann	1944*
Aylene Cheek	1946
Betsy	1914
Cleta Garner	1961*

Name	Year
Brady, Denise	1962
Donald	1955*
Ernest	1915
Esther	____
Evon Cox	1971*
Helen Lawson	1947*
June	1936*
Laura Caveness	1916*
Obed C., Jr.	1947*
Obed C., Sr.	1914
Olen	1946
Patricia	1967
Ronie	____
Sandra Needham	1964*
Thomas	____
Velna	____
Voyage	1976*
Bray, Artimisha	____
Beulah Richardson	1939
H. L.	1916
L. C.	____
Louella	____
Meribah	1915*
Robert	1939
Brower, Clay C.	____
Edward	1946
Randall	1946
Rohedena	1930
Thomas	1934
Brown, Bernau	1939*
Blanche	____
Bobby Joe	1963*
Cleo	1951
Charles H.	____
Clifford	1911
Denver	____
Doris Burris	1962*
Doris Herrin	1952*
Douglas	1980*
Earl	____

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* Indicates present members (1982)

Name	Year
Brown, Estelle	____
Frances	____
Hattie	____
H. Frank	____
Jacksie	1934
J. E.	____
Jerry	1964*
Jessie	1934
Jewel Stout	1949*
Joe	1955*
J. M.	____
Kathy Cain	1962
Lexie	____
Marie Brady	1973*
Mark	1970*
Mark Thomas	1976
Mary	1934
Mattie	____
Michael	1962
Milton	1964*
Norma Walker	1975
Nowell	1963*
Pat Clark	1977*
Pauline Garner	1951*
Reda Gardner	1911*
Renay	1962
Ruth Snow	1955*
Sheila	1953
Strawdie	____
Thomas	1975
Bunting, Betty Cox	1971*
Burris, Golda	1962
Bush, Ethel Phillips	____
Butler, Margie Brower	1931*
Cain, Agnes	____
Alta	1931
Arthur	____
Bernice (Johnson)	____
Betty	1963*
Bobby	1956*
Carrie	1962*
Cephas	1924
Cleo	1936*

Name	Year
Cain, Clifford	1967*
Edgar	1930
Elsa Poole	1936*
Georgia	1920
Graham	1936*
Irene	____
Jane	1962
Lucy	1921
Marie Lawson	1967*
Mary	____
Otis	____
Ralph	1930*
Raymond	1923
Reece	1956
Reggie	1963
Tommy	1923
Weldon	1946
Willis	1930*
Carmac, Clara Phillips	1933*
Mickey	1969*
Carter, Sharon Grubb	1962*
Caveness, Aileen	____
Annie	____
Bonnie Williams	____*
Claude H.	____
Ethel	1952
Mary Elizabeth	____
Patsy Lane	1952
W. W.	1882
Cheek, Betsy Brady	1947
David Randall	____
Eugenia Poole	1954
Clark, Alex	1976*
Billy	1976*
Eddie	1976*
Pamela	1976*
Ruth Craven	1957*
Timothy	1976*
Cobb, Eulalia	1946
Lillie Mae	1944
Marvin	1944*

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Name	Year
Coble, Cathy Ferree	1962
Janet	1978
Sydney	1969
Cole, Sarah	1893
Cox, Albert	1921
Allene Williamson	1957*
Alton	1939
Arthur	1924
A. S.	____
B. F.	____
B. W.	____
Calvin	1977*
Carol (Woodell)	1958
Carson	____
Chloe	____
Clester	1923
Colon	1933
Cora Williamson	1975*
Darlene Campbell	1977*
David	1966*
Delton	____
Dora	1962
Doris Brady	1970*
Doris Marley	1954*
Edna York	1972*
Erman	____
Ernest	____
Everette	1933
Grady	____
Greg	1974*
Harold	1943*
Herbert	____
Ira	1934
Isaac	1957*
Josie	1933*
Kaye York	1966*
Lee	1967
Lester	1937*
Lester	____
Lillie	1967
Lloyd	1954*
Lossie Brown	1930*
Mary B.	1949
Mary Louise	1953
Mattie	1923
Maude	1898

Name	Year
Cox, Maurice	1953
Minnie	____
Nannie	1962
Orville	1934
Patty	1971*
Paul, Jr.	1958*
Paul, Sr.	1957*
Rayvon	1977*
R. A. (Mrs.)	____
Sarah	1962
Starla	1980*
Steve	1957
Swanson	1937
Thurman	1934*
Vera Phillips	*
W. C.	1936
Wilhelma	1954
Woodfin	____
Craven, Belle Marley	1948
Bertha	1946
Cladie Moffitt	1923*
Edna Stout	*
Frances Cobb	1944
James T.	1946*
Jerry	1953*
Nellie Cox	1935*
Pearl	1910
Penn	1941
Virginia Wright	1969
Davis, Avon Stout	1923*
Callie	1894
Charles	1926*
Claude F.	____
Clell	*
Colon	1914
Floy	1927
George H.	1893
Glenn	1922*
Harold O.	1962
Hazel Copple	1947*
James M.	1893
John A.	1893
Joyce F.	1939*
Lauder B.	____
Laverne	1962
Maggie	1893

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Name	Year
Davis, Myrtle	1931
Nannie	1908
Nettie	1910
Nova	____
Sarah Selena	1893
Thomas	1882
Velna	1927
Deaton, Edna M.	1946*
Dunn, Alisha	1960*
Marcelle Maness	1974*
Mary Ellen	1960*
Elliott, Dawn Trogdon	1970*
Ferree, Flossie Kidd	1934*
Hubert	1943
Jerry	1962*
Reggie	1953
Fesmire, Garland	____
Maggie	____
Fields, Brenda Cox	1962*
Eddie	1976*
Foushee, Ritchie	1976*
Shirley Craven	1956*
Teresa	1974*
Fox, Gertrude	____
Frazier, Ada	1935*
Esther	____
Jesse	____
Freeman, Edna Craven	1972*
Mark	1978*
Gardner, J. G.	____
Garner, Darlene (Coble)	1975*
Eliza	____
Henry	1954*
Judy	1965
Mildred	1954*
Mozelle Herrin	1947

Name	Year
Garner, Reggie	1974*
Robert	1954
Tara	1979*
Gatlin, Arnold	1964*
Esther Fox	1931*
Franklin	1961*
Joan Scott	1979*
Linda	1969*
Marvin	1954*
Ruth Marley	1961*
Gibson, Oliver	1931
Gilliland, Gilbert	____
Golden, G. L.	1957
Susan	1957
Gray, Bertha	1942
Gross, John	____
Grubb, Norma Cox	1952*
Olen	1952*
Sharon	1962
Stephen	1962*
Hale, Brenda Spencer	1971*
Harrell, Mattie	____
Harris, Helen Brown	1977
Hayes, Alma	1953*
Claudie	1953*
Wrenn	1954*
Herrin, David	1955*
Flossie Phillips	____
Lee	1947
W. T.	1946
Hiatt, Kathy	1970*
Laurie, Jr.	1971*
Lillie Kidd	1947*
Louise Johnson	____*
Hinshaw, Betty Herrin	1946*

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Name	Year
Hodgin, Elma Davis	____
Hornady, A. M.	____
Hunsucker, Jane N. Jones	1952
Nellie	1950
Richard	1950
Robert	1950
Hunter, Frankie Phillips	1946*
Hussey, Velma Brady	1934*
Jarrell, Dorothy McNeill	1955*
Harold	1955*
JoAnne	1978*
Lillian Burns	1955*
Sondrah Hiatt	1964*
Wallace	1975*
Wayne	1955*
Jessup, Alpha	____
Joan	1981*
Joel	1981*
Johnson, C. F.	____
Darrell	1952
Effie	____
Gladys	____
H. Frank	1921
Hallie Cain	1946*
Irene Marley	1936
Joan Cox	1969*
Louis	1921*
Mausie	1921
Pearl M.	1943*
Sarah R.	____
Jones, Adele Poole	1923*
Albert	1938*
Jordan, Allen	____
Sarah	____
Kearns, Ava	1919
William P.	1938
Kidd, Attress Jeanette	1947

Name	Year
Kidd, Attress York	1928*
Charles	1954
Clarence	*
Colon	1954*
Eddie	1954*
Everette	1954*
Geraldine Lee	1954*
Harmon	*
Hattie Bullard	1973*
Herbert	1928
Ida Ritter	1941*
James	1947*
Jonah	1953*
Linda	____
Lydia	1961
Mabel	1957
Margie Pugh	*
Melvin	1956*
Rachel	1933*
Shirley	1954
Sue	1962
Kimery, Martha Cain	1969*
Kirkman, Anne J. Poole	1952
Kivett, Nathan	1882
Kolln, Pamela Poole	1970*
Lambert, J. L.	____
Margaret	____
Viola Kidd	1946
Law, Marshall	1972
Lawson, Carol Beck	1966*
Gayle	1955*
Wayne	1955*
Ledbetter, Pearl	____
Livingstone, E. A.	____
E. A. (Mrs.)	____
Long, Algie	1970*
Edna Gibson	1970*
Gilbert	1974*
Marty	1974*

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Name	Year
Long, Michael	1975*
Reggie	1975*
Maness, Archie B.	1976*
Billy	1955*
Blanche Marley	1933*
Colon	1955*
Earl	1944
Ed	1955
Hazel Garner	1975*
Maggie Marley	1931
Nannie	____
Sarah Jane	1955
Vera	____
Will	1944
Marley, Carney	____
Corrina	____
Edna	1946
Greta Cox	1958*
Hulen	____
J. A.	1919
J. A. (Mrs.)	1946
J. R.	____
Mary Lee	1943
Ray	1962*
Robert	1936*
Will	1911
Mercer, Camille	1980*
Jeffery	1981*
Myra	1980*
Roger	1980*
McCorquodale, Joyce Hiatt	1964*
McNeill, Alice	____
Lois Brown Cox	1955
Louise Cox	1947*
Moffitt, Alice	____
Allen	1974*
Berta	____
Blanche Cheek	1927*
Clyde L.	1919
Edsel	1955*
Eli W.	____
Evelyn	1938

Name	Year
Moffitt, Lester	1931
Lina Mae	1933
Mamie	1911
Nadine Allen	1955*
Sarah	1920
Vickie	1973*
Willie F.	1911
Moody, Alma	____
Sue Kidd	1962
Moore, Myrtle Stout	____
Moran, Lynda Carmac	1953*
Maleah	1978*
Murphy, Decie Stanley	____
J. E.	____
Limer	____
Myra Brown	1967*
Pearle	____
Robert	1931
Wayne	1981*
Murray, Elvin	1941
Needham, Bennie	1962*
Dale	1962
Epsie Garner	1950*
Neil, Shirley Kidd	1954*
Nelson, Dorothea Stout	____*
Fernie	1971*
Helen Payne	____
Phillips, Annie	1920
Avery	1920
Clarence	____
Dora	____
Edna	1947*
Ethel	____
Eva	____
Fred	____
J. P.	1946*
Lacy	1947*
Lawrence	____
Lonna	1934

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Name	Year
Phillips, Mary	____
Nannie	____
Rodney	1947*
Virginia	1931
Wiley, Jr.	1946
Wiley, Sr.	____*
Poole, Ada	1902
Eloise Davis	1937*
Inez Cain	1930*
Johnnie	1957*
J. R.	____
Ray	1923*
Robert	____
Verta Phillips	1919*
Powell, Clara Moon	1980*
Debra	1980*
Pearl	____
Wade	1980*
Powers, Avery	1948
Flossie	1947
Presnell, D. B.	1893
Emeline	1893
Priddy, Flora	____
Thornton	____
Pugh, David R. (Buddy)	1974
Nancy Hawkins	1973*
Todd	1976*
Richardson, W. C.	____
Ritchie, Jane Cain	1962*
Rumley, Linda S.	1971
Saunders, Bryant	1952
Carl Clifford, Jr	1965*
Carl Clifford, Sr	1953
C. F., Jr.	1947
Coy	1925
Ella	____
Lois	____
Pam Shaw	1975*

Name	Year
Saunders, Pauline Kidd	1943*
Ruth	1947
W. B., Jr.	1955*
W. W.	____
Scoggins, Eulalia	____
Scott, Annie	____
B. F. (Mrs.)	1933
Dude	1916
Ethel	1973
Fletcher	____
Inez	____
Jeannie Gatlin	1964*
J. N.	____
Joe	1946
Lema	1913
Mann	____
Minnie	____
Naomi	____
Vernon	____
Wade	____
Walter	1933*
Scotten, Addison K.	____
Alma	____
Bessie	1902
Clester	____
Ornice	____
Siler, C. R.	____
Dora	____
Geneva Kidd	1953*
Simmons, Ada	____
Amanda	1933*
Bessie	1948
Frances Powers	1970*
Geraldine	1967
Lucy	1933*
R. L.	1948
Smith, Ann Poole	1952*
Callie	1954
Carol Cox	1949
Caroline	1952
Colon	1949
Coy	____*

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Name	Year
Smith, Gary	1954*
Jimmy	1954
Judy Taylor	1968*
Mabel Cox	*
Marie Beck	1967*
Melvin	1962
Millard F.	1954
Minnie	
Patricia Marley	1974*
Steven	1975
Willie	1947
Spence, B. A.	
Spivey, Frances Moffitt	1947
Spoon, Thelma Kidd	1953*
Stokes, R. C.	
Stout, Alma	
Arthur	1952
Avon	
Della Cox	1914*
Edna	
Elbert	
Gladys Craven	1938*
Grier	1952*
Hampton	*
Herbert	*
Joseph	1948
Kirby	
Lalah Bray	1936*
Maggie Scott	1919*
Mary	
Mary E.	
Mary Sue	1967
Mozelle	1975*
Newman	
Otis	
Rosa	
Stroudie Scott	1925*
Virginia (Overman)	1933
W. E.	
Strickland, C. M. (Rev.)	1925
C. M. (Mrs.)	1925
Strider, Janice Brady	1972
Timothy	1972

Name	Year
Sullivan, I. Walter	1893
Taylor, Debbie Hiatt	1962*
Teague, Faye Herrin	1946*
Macy Cheek	1967*
Norma	
Thurman	1955*
Wayne	1955*
Temple, Kenneth	1954*
Ollie Phillips	1931*
Willis	1942*
Thomas, Ann	1970*
Brenda (Pritchard)	1953
Oberia Bouldin	1928*
Wade	1946
Trogdon, Michael	1974
Robbie	1974*
Robert	1958*
Virgie Kidd	1953*
Ward, Bicket	1938
Dora	1893
Webster, Samuel	1946*
West, Berta	
White, Dorothy Garner	1954*
Douglas	1975
Luther	*
Randy	1975*
Tommy	1975*
Vickie	1974*
Whitehead, M. N.	
Williams, Marvin	1947
Wilson, Haywood	
Wright, Bonnie Davis	1918*
Hazel	
Yates, Devon	1977*
York, Joe	1963
Nancy Cain	1954
Yow, Effie	
Hilda	1946*

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** Sources - Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn. (1882), letter from Deep River to Sandy Creek Assn. (1893), listings of church officers and delegates from Sandy Creek Assn., Deep River Baptist Church Membership rolls dates 1925, 1929, 1932, 1934 addition, later rolls to present date (1982).

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

1935	30 Enrolled
1936	100 Enrolled - Ornice Scotten, Director; Charles Davis, President; Alton Cox, Aileen Caveness, Vice Presidents; Floy Davis, Recording Secretary; June Brady, Treasurer; Virginia Phillips, Corresponding Secretary
1937-46	Not listed in Association's minutes
1947	48 Enrolled; Average attendance 20; James C. Bouldin, Dir.
1948	Discontinued during year
1949-61	Not listed in Association's minutes
1962	June 2, a list of officers and teachers was approved
1963	70 Enrolled; Average attendance 51; Joe Brown, Director
1964	68 Enrolled, Average attendance 47; Cleo Brown, Director
1965	May 15, program was discontinued; Cleo Brown, Director
1966-82	Not listed in Association's minutes

Sources - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; Minutes of Randolph Assn.

CHURCH CLERKS

Year	Name	Year	Name
1883-84	Nathan Kivett	1914-15	R. C. Stokes
1885-88	M. N. Whitehead	1916-17	O. C. Brady, Sr.
		1918-19	C. F. Davis
1893-95	Thomas Davis	1920-21	J. G. Gardner
1896-98	George Davis	1922-23	C. F. Davis
1899-1900	J. L. Lambert	1924-26	C. L. Moffitt
1901	H. Frank Brown	1927	E. W. Brady
1902	Thomas Davis	1928	
1903-07	Callie Davis	1929-31	E. W. Brady
1908-12	R. C. Stokes	1932	Charles Davis
1913	Pearl Craven	1933-34	Herbert R. Cox

Sources - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn.; Minutes of Randolph Assn.

Year	Name	Year	Name
1935-37	Colon Cox	1964-67	Pauline Saunders
1938-42	C. R. Brown	1968-71	Flossie Ferree
1943-46	Albert Jones	1972-76	Virgie Trogdon
1947-51	Mrs. Glenn Davis	1977	Linda S. Rumley
1952-60	Mrs. Colon Smith	1978	Brenda Fields
1961-63	Hazel Davis	1979-82	Flossie Ferree

Sources - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; Minutes of Sandy Creek Assn.; Minutes of Randolph Assn.

HISTORIANS

1976-81	Joyce F. Davis
1982	Joyce F. Davis, Wally Jarrell

Source - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

1981-82	Marvin Gatlin	3 years
	Joe Brown	2 years
	Flossie Ferree	1 year

Source - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church

BROTHERHOOD

Approved by Church on September 10, 1977
Program initiated October 1, 1977

1978	Rev. Thomas G. Brown, Director	25 enrolled
1979	Rev. Thomas G. Brown, Director	23 enrolled

1980	Rayvon Cox, Director	7 enrolled

Church disbanded Brotherhood during 1980

Source - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church

DEACONS OF DEEP RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH
(Includes all names found)

William Caveness	William Kearns	Harold Jarrell
Thomas Davis	Herbert Kidd	Joe Brown
Richard Stokes	Arthur Cox	Algie Long
H. Frank Brown	Penn Craven	O. C. Brady, Jr.
Eli W. Moffitt	Willis Temple	Paul Cox, Jr.
Claud F. Davis	James Bouldin	Bernau Brown
W. W. Saunders (Bud)	Cleo Brown	Sydney Coble
Avery Phillips	Hubert Ferree	Timothy Strider
Clay C. Brower	Johnnie Poole	Jerry Atwood
Willie F. Moffitt	Swanson Cox	Wally Jarrell
E. W. Brady	Robert Trogdon	Rayvon Cox
Clyde Moffitt	Olen Grubb	Calvin Cox
O. C. Brady, Sr.	Edsel Moffitt	

Sources - Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; Deacons' Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church; Relatives and Church members

DELEGATES TO
SANDY CREEK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1883	William Caveness, Thomas Davis, Nathan Kivett
1884	Thomas Davis, A. M. Hornady, William Caveness
1885	Thomas Davis, John Davis, N.M. Whitehead
1886	No delegates
1887	W. W. Caveness, Haywood Wilson, S. Kivett

1888	No delegates

1893	Thomas Davis, W. W. Caveness
1894	W. W. Caveness, D. B. Presnell, A. K. Scotten
1895	A. K. Scotten, D. B. Presnell, Wm. Caveness
1896	A. K. Scotten
1897	W. W. Caveness, D. B. Presnell, John Davis
1898	D. B. Presnell, G. H. Davis
1899	J. L. Lambert, Wm. Caveness
1900	W. W. Caveness, A. K. Scotten, George Davis
1901	A. K. Scotten, W. W. Caveness, Thomas Davis
1902	W. W. Caveness, John Davis
1903	Thomas Davis, W. W. Caveness, D. B. Presnell
1904	W. W. Caveness, Thomas Davis
1905	W. W. Caveness, James Davis, John Davis
1906	W. W. Caveness
1907	W. W. Caveness
1908	W. W. Caveness, D. B. Presnell
1909	B. A. Spence, W. W. Caveness, R. C. Stokes
1910	No delegates
1911	W. W. Caveness, D. B. Presnell, W. E. Stout
1912	No delegates
1913	J. M. Davis, D. B. Presnell, C. R. Siler
1914	J. G. Gardner
1915	H. F. Brown, J. G. Gardner, Willie Moffitt
1916	H. F. Brown
1917	Claude Davis
1918-20	No delegates
1921	W. F. Moffitt, H. F. Brown, Obie Brady
1922	C. F. Davis, D. B. Scott, J. M. Brown
1923	J. M. Brown, C. F. Davis, Avery Phillips
1924	J. C. Kidd, J. M. Davis, Avery Phillips, E. W. Brady
1925	C. L. Moffitt
1926	C. R. Brown
1927	C. L. Moffitt, J. R. Poole, Avery Phillips

1928	No delegates
1929	C. L. Moffitt
1930	No delegates
1931	C. R. Brown, J. R. Poole, W. E. Cain
1932	C. M. Strickland
1933	Mrs. W. E. Cain, E. W. Brady, W. E. Cain
1934	Abe Bouldin, Herbert R. Cox

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DELEGATES TO
RANDOLPH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1935	Ornice Scotten, C. L. Moffitt, E. W. Brady
1936	E. W. Brady, A. S. Cox, C. L. Moffitt, Ornice Scotten, Mrs. Colon Cox, Mrs. Rob Poole, Mrs. R. E. Heath
1937	C. L. Moffitt, Herbert Cox, E. W. Brady, Mrs. C. L. Moffitt, Mrs. Herbert Cox, Mrs. Ava Kearns
1938	E. W. Brady, C. L. Moffitt, Herbert Kidd, C. R. Brown
1939	Albert Jones, Herbert Kidd, Clyde Moffitt, Herbert Cox, Ernest Brady, Allie Brady
1940	Albert Jones, Ray Poole, Edgar Cain, Clyde Moffitt, C. R. Brown
1941	C. L. Moffitt, C. R. Brown, Herbert Kidd
1942	C. L. Moffitt, C. R. Brown, Herbert Kidd
1943	Association at Deep River
1944	
1945	Albert Jones, Rev. Roland Kidd, Rev. Clyde Moffitt, William Kearns
1946	Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Brady, Herbert Cox, Mr. & Mrs. C. A. Bouldin, J. A. Jones
1947	Ernest Brady, Herbert Kidd, James Bouldin, Clifford Brown, Edgar Cain, Allie Brady, Attress Kidd, William Kearns
1948	Clayton Bennett, Mr. & Mrs. Terry Herrin, E. W. Brady, William Kearns
1949	C. R. Brown, William Kearns, Edgar Cain, E. W. Brady, Jimmy Bouldin

1950	Mr. & Mrs. W. E. Cain, Kirby Stout, Mr. & Mrs. Avery Phillips
1951	Mr. & Mrs. E. W. Brady, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Kidd, William Kearns
1952	James Bouldin, Cleo Brown, Herbert Kidd, E. W. Brady, William Kearns
1953	James Bouldin, Willis Temple, Clifford Brown, Mrs. Glenn Davis, Mrs. Myrtle Moore
1954	E. W. Brady, James Bouldin, William Kearns, Charles Davis, Herbert Kidd
1955	William Kearns, Ernest Brady, James Bouldin, Herbert Kidd, Willie Moffitt
1956	William Kearns, Ernest Brady, James Bouldin, Herbert Kidd, Willie Moffitt, Marvin Gatlin
1957	James Bouldin, Herbert Kidd, Swanson Cox, Frank Johnson, Colon Smith, E. W. Brady
1958	William Kearns, Harold Jarrell, E. W. Brady, Herbert Kidd, Bernau Brown, Colon Smith
1959	Herbert Kidd, Colon Smith, E. W. Brady, William Kearns, Clifford Brown, Harold Jarrell
1960	E. W. Brady, Penn Craven, Mr. & Mrs. Clayton Bennett, Pauline Saunders, Clifford Brown
1961	William Kearns, Cladie Craven, Willie Moffitt, Mrs. E. W. Brady, Herbert Kidd
1962	William Kearns, E. W. Brady, Herbert Kidd, Clifford Brown, Charles Davis, Hubert Ferree
1963	William Kearns, Mr. & Mrs. O. C. Brady, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. E. W. Brady, Clifford Brown
1964	Mr. & Mrs. E. W. Brady, Mr. & Mrs. O. C. Brady, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Brown, W. P. Kearns
1965	Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Feree, Mr. & Mrs. O. C. Brady, Sr., W. P. Kearns, Cladie Craven, Ruby Bailey
1966	Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Feree, Mr. & Mrs. O. C. Brady, Sr., W. P. Kearns, Cladie Craven, Ruby Bailey
1967	Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Ferree, Mr. & Mrs. O. C. Brady, Sr., Cladie Craven, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Brady
1968	Mr. & Mrs. O. C. Brady, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Brady, Mrs. Penn Craven, Mr. & Mrs. C. L. Moffitt
1969	Mr. & Mrs. C. L. Moffitt, Mr. & Mrs. O. C. Brady, Sr., Mrs. Penn Craven, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Brady
1970	Mr. & Mrs. O. C. Brady, Sr., Mrs. Penn Craven, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Brady, Mr. & Mrs. C. L. Moffitt
1971	_____

1972	Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Brady, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Kidd, Mrs. Clyde Moffitt, W. P. Kearns
1973	Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Kidd, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Brady, Mrs. Clyde Moffitt, Mrs. Macie Teague
1974	Ernest Brady, Ernest Beck, Mrs. Penn Craven, Clayton Bennett, Rachael Taylor, Mr. & Mrs. Edsel Moffitt
1975	Ernest Brady, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Beck, Mrs. Penn Craven, Mr. & Mrs. Edsel Moffitt, Norma Brown
1976	_____
1977	Mr. & Mrs. Joe Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Cox, Ernest Brady, Rev. & Mrs. Thomas Brown
1978	Mr. & Mrs. Joe Brown, Ernest Brady, Edsel Moffitt, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Cox
1979	Edsel Moffitt, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Clayton Bennett, Edna Cox
1980	Edsel Moffitt, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Bernau Brown, Edna Cox
1981	Edsel Moffitt, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Bernau Brown, Edna Cox
1982	Mr. & Mrs. Algie Long, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Bernau Brown

Sources - Minutes of Randolph Assn.; Minutes of Deep River Baptist Church

DELEGATES TO THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION OF THE SANDY CREEK ASSOCIATION

1910	B. A. Spence
1925	C. F. Johnson, E. W. Brady, Clyde Moffitt, O.C. Brady, Sr.
1927	Mamie Moffitt, C. L. Moffitt, W. F. Moffitt, O. C. Brady, Sr. Allie Brady
1928	Avon Stout, Effie Johnson, Bonnie Davis, O. C. Brady, Sr.
1930	Herbert Kidd, Atress Kidd

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LIBRARIANS

1954-55	Frances Moffitt, Pauline Saunders, Asst.
1956	Mozelle Garner, Pauline Saunders, Asst.
1957	Virgie Kidd, Mozelle Garner, Asst.
1958-60	Virgie Trogdon, Caroline Smith, Asst.
1961	Virgie Trogdon, Eugenia Poole, Asst.
1962	Sheila Brown, Eugenia Poole, Asst.
1963	Brenda Cox, Jane Cain, Asst.
1964-66	_____
1967-71	Kathy Cain
1972	_____
1973-75	Doris Brady
1976	Pauline Saunders, Brenda Fields, Asst.
1977	_____
1978	Eloise Poole, Anne Thomas, Asst.
1979-80	Eloise Poole, Doris M. Cox, Asst.
1981	Eloise Poole, Marie Brown, Asst.
1982	Eloise Poole, Brenda Fields, Asst.

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MUSIC

Some of the early directors, for which we have no specific date were: Lauder Davis, Clester Scotten, H. Frank Brown, Avery Phillips, and Mrs. C. R. Brown. Some of our earliest organists were: Callie Davis, Effie Brown, Alma Scotten, Ornice Scotten, and Charles Brown.

Date	Directors	Organists or Pianists
1936	Willie F. Moffitt	Ornice Scotten, Adelle Jones
1938	Willie F. Moffitt	Floy Davis, Vera Cox
1939	Willie F. Moffitt	Lina Maie Moffitt, Floy Davis, Adelle Jones, Vera Cox
1940	Willie F. Moffitt	Lina Maie Moffitt, Floy Davis, Adelle Jones, Vera Cox

Date	Directors	Organists or Pianists
1941	Willie F. Moffitt	Lina Maie Moffitt, Floy Davis Adelle Jones, Vera Cox
1942	Willie F. Moffitt	Lina Maie Moffitt, Floy Davis, Adelle Jones, Vera Cox
1945	Glenn Davis	Floy Davis, Vera Cox
1946	Glenn Davis Avery Phillips. Asst.	Floy Davis Opal Scott, Asst.
1947	Glenn Davis Clifford Brown, Asst.	Floy Davis Adelle Jones, Vera Cox, Asst.
1948	Glenn Davis Avery Phillips, Asst.	Floy Davis Vera Cox, Adelle Jones, Asst.
1949	Glenn Davis Avery Phillips, Asst.	Vera Cox Adelle Jones, Pauline Kidd, Asst.
1950	Glenn Davis Avery Phillips, Asst.	Vera Cox Adelle Jones, Pauline Kidd, Asst.
1951	Lester Moffitt Colon Smith, Asst.	Vera Cox Avon Davis, Pauline Kidd, Asst.
1952	Glenn Davis Colon Smith, Asst.	Vera Cox Frances Moffitt, Asst.
1953	Colon Smith Willie Moffitt, Asst.	Vera Cox Frances Moffitt, Asst.
1954	Colon Smith Charles Davis, Asst.	Vera Cox Frances Moffitt, Asst.
1955	Colon Smith Charles Davis, Asst.	Vera Cox Frances Moffitt, Asst.

Date	Directors	Organists	Pianists
1956	Grier Stout Willie Moffitt, Asst.	Frances Moffitt _____	Vera Cox Caroline Smith, Asst.
1957	Colon Smith Charles Davis, Asst.	Frances Moffitt _____	Caroline Smith _____
1958	Colon Smith Charles Davis, Asst.	Frances Moffitt _____	Caroline Smith Sheila Brown, Asst.
1959	Colon Smith Charles Davis, Asst.	Frances Moffitt Caroline Smith, Asst.	Sheila Brown _____
1960	Glenn Davis Brenda Thomas, Asst.	Caroline Smith _____	Sheila Brown _____
1961	Brenda Thomas Charles Davis, Asst.	Kaye Davis Lynda Carmac, Asst.	Sheila Brown Jane Hunsucker, Asst.

Date	Directors	Organists	Pianists
1962	Charles Davis Albert Jones, Asst.	Kaye Davis _____	Sheila Brown Adelle Jones, Asst.
1963	Charles Davis Albert Jones, Asst.	Kaye Davis Frances Spivey, Asst.	Sheila Brown Adelle Jones, Asst.
1964	Charles Davis Cleo Brown, Asst.	Kaye Davis _____	Adelle Jones Denise Poole, Asst.
1965	Charles Davis Cleo Brown, Asst.	Kaye Davis Cathy Ferree, Asst.	Adelle Jones Denise Poole, Asst.
1966	Cleo Brown Charles Davis, Asst.	Cathy Ferree Kaye Davis, Asst.	Adelle Jones Denise Poole, Asst.
1967	Grier Stout Charles Davis, Asst.	Cathy Ferree Kaye Davis, Asst.	Adelle Jones Denise Poole, Asst.
1968	Grier Stout Clifford Cain, Asst.	Cathy Ferree _____	Adelle Jones Denise Poole, Asst.
1969	Cleo Brown Clifford Cain, Asst.	Cathy Ferree _____	Denise Poole Sarah Cox, Asst.
1970	Cleo Brown Clifford Cain, Asst.	Cathy Ferree Kaye Atwood, Asst.	Denise Poole Lynda Moran, Asst.
1971	Cleo Brown Clifford Cain, Asst.	Cathy Ferree Kaye Atwood, Asst.	Lynda Moran Joan Cox, Asst.
1972	Cleo Cain _____	Cathy Coble Kaye Atwood, Asst.	Joan Cox Lynda Moran, Asst.
1973	Cleo Cain Grier Stout, Asst.	Cathy Coble Kaye Atwood, Asst.	Joan Cox Lynda Moran, Asst.
1974	Cleo Cain Sydney Coble, Asst.	Cathy Coble Kaye Atwood, Asst.	Joan Cox Lynda Moran, Asst.
1975	Cleo Cain Sydney Coble, Asst.	Cathy Coble Kaye Atwood, Asst.	Joan Cox Lynda Moran, Asst.
1976	Cleo Cain Grier Stout, Asst.	Cathy Coble Kaye Atwood, Asst.	Betty Cox Joan Cox, Asst.
1977	Sydney Coble _____	Cathy Coble Joan Cox, Asst.	Kaye Atwood Lynda Moran, Asst.
1978	Sydney Coble _____	Cathy Coble Betty Cox, Asst.	Kaye Atwood Lynda Moran, Asst.

Date	Directors	Organists	Pianists
1979	Sydney Coble	Cathy Coble	Kaye Atwood Lynda Moran, Asst.
1980	Sydney Coble Jerry Atwood, Asst.	Cathy Coble Kaye Atwood, Asst.	Kaye Atwood Lynda Moran, Asst.
1981	Jerry Atwood Wally Jarrell, Asst.	Kaye Atwood	Lynda Moran
1982	Jerry Atwood Darlene Cox, Asst.	Kaye Atwood Myra Mercer, Asst.	Lynda Moran Myra Mercer, Asst.

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SEXTONS
(Includes all names as listed in church minutes)

1936	Charles Davis
1937-38	Swanson Cox
1939	Luther White
1940	Vernon Scott (Mann Scott - March 2, 1940)
1941	Mann Scott
1942	J. G. Scott
1943-44	Willis Temple
1945	
1946	Arthur Stout (Joe Scott - July 6, 1946)
1947-50	Joe Scott
1951	E. W. Brady
1952	Clifford Saunders
1953-57	Marvin Gatlin
1958-63	Paul Cox, Sr.
1964-69	Willie Smith
1970-80	Marvin Gatlin
1981-82	Reggie Long

NOTE: Frank Brown, Frank Johnson, and probably others also served as sexton prior to 1936; however, the dates of their service are not available.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDANTS

Date	Superintendant
1899	John Gross
1900	_____
1901	A. K. Scotten
1902	____ (Sunday School expense listed as $2.50)
1903-04	W. W. Caveness
1905	Thomas Davis
1906-07	H. Frank Brown
1908	_____
1909	Effie Brown
1910-12	H. Frank Brown
1913	J. E. Brown
1914	R. C. Stokes
1915-17	H. Frank Brown
1918-21	Willie F. Moffitt
1922	Avery Phillips
1923	C. F. Davis
1924-25	W. F. Moffitt
1926-27	Clyde L. Moffitt
1928	_____
1929-31	C. L. Moffitt
1932-33	Clay C. Brower
1934	Colon Cox
1935-36	Ernest Brady
1937	Herbert Cox
1938-42	E. W. Brady
1943-45	Herbert Kidd
1946-50	E. W. Brady
1951-55	James Bouldin
1956	Willis Temple
1957-60	Swanson Cox
1961-63	Edsel Moffitt
1964	Robert Trogdon
1965-66	Edsel Moffitt
1967	Bennie Needham
1968-70	Nowell Brown
1971-72	Edsel Moffitt
1973-75	Jerry Atwood
1976	Marvin J. Gatlin
1977	Joe Brown
1978-81	Edsel Moffitt
1982	Wade Powell

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TREASURERS

1923-24	Eli W. Moffitt
1925	_____
1926-28	E. W. Moffitt
1929	_____
1930-31	E. W. Moffitt
1932-33	A. S. Cox

Date	Name	Date	Name
1934-37	Ernest Brady	1962	Penn Craven
1938	Herbert Cox	1963-64	Swanson Cox
1939-42	E. W. Brady	1965-67	Johnnie Poole
1943-45	Herbert Kidd	1968-73	Olen Grubb
1946	Albert Jones	1974-76	Jerry Atwood
1947-51	James C. Bouldin	1977-79	Edna G. Long
1952-61	E. W. Brady	1980-82	Edna Freeman

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WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION

1912	Deep River Society was listed as being organized
1913-17	Deep River was listed in the minutes of Sandy Creek Assn.
1918-34	Not listed in Association minutes
1935	15 enrolled
1936	Mrs. R. E. Heath, President 15 enrolled
1937	15 enrolled
1938-39	Not listed in Association minutes
1940	Mrs. J. M. Davis, President 12 enrolled
1941	Mrs. J. M. Davis, President 17 enrolled
1942	Mrs. J. M. Davis, President 20 enrolled
1943	Mrs. J. M. Davis, President 24 enrolled
1944	Mrs. J. M. Davis, President 25 enrolled, Mrs. Clyde Moffitt, Sec.
1945	Mrs. J. M. Davis, President Miss Pauline Kidd, Sec.
1946	Mrs. J. M. Davis, President Miss Pauline Kidd, Sec.
1947	Mrs. J. M. Davis, President 17 enrolled, Miss Pauline Kidd, Sec.
1948-53	Not listed in Association minutes
1954	Association minutes state that 16 churches had no WMU at all; stated that four churches had organized a WMU in 1954. "How wonderful it would be if four others would follow their example, namely: Cedar Falls, Fayetteville Street, Deep River, and White's Memorial..."
1955-76	Not listed in Association minutes

1977	Mrs. Pauline Saunders, Director 49 enrolled; had G.A.'s, Acteens, Baptist Young Women and Baptist Women
1978	Mrs. Pauline Saunders, Director 64 enrolled; added Mission Friends
1979	Mrs. Pauline Saunders, Director 48 enrolled
1980	Mrs. Edna Freeman, Director 46 enrolled
1981	Mrs. Pauline Saunders, Director 43 enrolled
1982	Mrs. Pauline Saunders, Director

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Lamar, 63

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John Pearson, 50
Ruby P. Lyndon, 51,63,76
Victoria Burrow, 50

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